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Rep. Robertson takes Wilmington, wins reelection



Wilmington voted in a very socially-distanced venue — Shriners Auditorium. (photo: BruceHilliard.com)

By CASEY STEVENSON
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — While the results for the national elections are not yet announced, Wilmington has made it loud and clear who they chose in this historic election.

The following results are for the contested races, and these numbers are from the Town Clerk's office. The percentages are pulled from the New York Times' live update page of the U.S election.

In the presidential election, Joe Biden won Wilmington with 54.1 percent (7,950 votes) of the total votes. Trump had 43.5 percent (6,394 votes) of the votes in Wilmington.

In the election for the U.S Senate seat for Massachusetts, Ed Markey won re-election with 56.8 percent (8,181 votes) of Wilmington's total vote, and Kevin O'Connor has 42.8 percent (6,164 votes) of the vote.

Winning the seat for the U.S House seat representing Massachusetts' 6th Congressional District is Seth Moulton, gaining 8,305 of Wilmington's votes. His opponent, John Paul Moran, had 4,978 votes.

The Town of Wilmington voted Yes on Question 1 (concerning the Right to Repair), with 10,679 votes.

Additionally, Wilmington voted No on Question 2 (concerning Ranked-Choice Voting), with 8,906 votes.

The Representative for the 19th Middlesex District in the MA General Court is David Robertson, with 6,902 of Wilmington's votes, beating Alec DiFruscia, who had 4,828 votes.

For the Governor's Council, Eileen Duff ran uncontested and garnered 9,974 votes.

Bruce Tarr ran uncontested and re-elected to the position of State Senator with 10,875 votes.

With 1,599 votes, Ken Gordon was re-elected to the Representative for the 21st Middlesex District in the MA General Court.

Finally, with 9,099 votes, Tara DeCristofaro was re-elected to the position of Register of Probate.

As the votes come in across the country, residents are reminded to, no matter the outcome, stay safe, and be kind to one another in these chaotic times.

Superintendent's report and school reopening update

By LIZZY HILL
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — To begin the Superintendent's Report on Wednesday night at the School Committee meeting, Superintendent Dr. Glenn Brand confirmed that the Wilmington Teachers' Association has signed a final Memorandum of Agreement. The MOA for the 2020-2021 school year will be posted on the district website for anyone interested in the details.

Moving on, Brand brought up the necessity for snow or inclement weather cancellations this year.

"Regulations do allow, with local decision, to eliminate them and replace them with a full instructional day," he explained.

He said that remote days for snow would still require attendance tracking, regular communication, and remote work aligned with the state standards. However, he expressed a preference to keep a snow day option.

Some of the committee agreed. M. J. Byrnes considered that there could be an equity issue that prevents some students from finding alternative ways to get online in inclement weather.

"Perhaps [pushing school days further into] the spring will afford us the ability to possibly get into school," she added.

Steve Bjork said that taking away snow days would be removing another sense of normalcy that students get so little of this year.

Jenn Bryson suggested that perhaps whether to have remote learning on a snow day could be decided per day.

Jay Samaha supported doing away with snow days and using them as remote days. While Jesse Fennelly said he was inclined toward remote days, he also said he'd like to hear more opinions perhaps from parents and teachers.

The committee suggested sending out a survey to parents to gather their thoughts.

The next items pertained to the revival of the Superintendent's Advisory Council and School councils and the pursuit of an OPM for the new joint town hall and school administration building.

Brand then gave an update about Wilmington's applications with the Massachusetts School Building Authority. He said that representatives from the district and the town participated in a call with the MSBA to express their continued interest in pursuing new construction and/or renovation.

When David Ragsdale asked if they would have to resubmit for next year if they're not chosen, Bryson clarified that she thought they would roll in but wasn't 100 percent sure.

After that, the superintendent moved onto the school reopening update. In the final word from the second HVAC assessment, Brand said the results showed that all buildings meet the requirements and would be uploaded to the district website for viewing.

In terms of staffing, he repeated that staffing remains an active challenge in which the district slowly makes progress. With substitutes, however, the tone was very different. Dr. Brand said there might not be enough substitutes to cover in case of staff quarantines.

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School Committee: awards, resolutions and subcommittee reports

By LIZZY HILL
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — Last Wednesday's School Committee meeting contained a public comment, two seniors recognized with the Superintendent's Award, and MASC resolutions, along with a few other items.

The main point of the only in-person public comment was the remote students in cohort C are only getting one day of teacher-directed time.

"I understand that enormous amounts of time went into hybrid planning," the resident said. "I understand that we can't triple the amount of teachers."

His proposal was for all high school learning to be remote for a certain period of time so that the older students who are perfectly capable of extended remote learning could have five days of synchronous learning instead of one or two per week depending on their learning model.

After that, Superintendent Dr. Glenn Brand brought high school seniors Jessie Ding and Miriam Nelson in one at a time to present them with the Massachusetts Association of Schools Superintendent's Award.

"This award is intended to be given to seniors who have distinguished themselves in the pursuit of excellence," he said.

He recognized Ding and Nelson's many achievements, extracurricular

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Former CIA agent shares story of WWII spy

Adult Programs

Fiction Critique Group
Saturday, Nov. 7 at 9:15 a.m.
Love writing fiction? Whether you are drafting a short story or a novel, joining our Critique Group is a great opportunity to meet other writers and get constructive feedback in a supportive environment. Open to all experience levels writing in all genres. Led by local writing enthusiast, Barbara Alevras.

How To: Get Your Home Ready for the Holidays
Tuesday, Nov. 10 at 7 p.m.
Maureen Nuccitelli, better known as The Organizing Diva, uses her expertise to create customized organizing systems and to teach organizing skills that will help individuals take control of their surroundings, their time and their life. She also uses an optional specialized technique (called Tapping), coaching and humor to help clients determine the root cause of their clutter and disorganization. She will be leading this program on how to prepare yourself and your home to enter the holiday season, while managing stress and clutter.

Virginia Hall: America's Greatest Spy of WWII
Thursday, Nov. 12 at 7 p.m.
Craig Gralley, a former senior intelligence officer with the Central Intelligence Agency and author of Hall of Mirrors, will share the fascinating true story of Virginia Hall, a disabled Baltimore socialite who became one of the most dangerous spies of WWII.

One on One Virtual Tech Help with Brad
Tuesdays at 10 a.m.
If you are having an issue with a piece of technology or have some questions about something before you go out and buy it, register for a one-on-one session with Technology Librarian, Brad McKenna.

Youth Programs

Scarecrow Contest
Nov. 1-15
Put on your creative caps, grab your hay bales, and join us for a Scarecrow Contest!
Register your whole family group of up to 6 people, and start making a scarecrow at home! The theme is "What are you grateful for? Once registered, your group will receive a number that matches a 4-foot post on the library front lawn. Decorate your post and the small space around it anytime between November 1st and November 15th! Deadline to put up and decorate your scarecrow is Sunday, November 15th. First place will get a $25 gift card to AJ's Kitchen, second place will get a $15 gift card to Josie's Bakery, and third place will get a $5 gift card to Heavenly Donuts! Registration is limited.

Dungeons & Dragons
Saturday, Nov. 7 at 10 a.m.
Interested in finding out more about this fantasy tabletop role-playing game, or looking for a group to play with? Join DM Michaela for a virtual campaign via Zoom (or Google Hangouts) every month! Grades 6-8

Star Mag
Monday, Nov. 9 at 3:30 p.m.
Help create a magazine written by, for, and about kids, published at the library! Attend this Zoom meetings to chat and collaborate with other creative kids about what creations they are working on, while working on your own original artwork, writing, crafts, etc.! Kids can submit finished work now until Nov. 9 and you do not have to attend any meetings to submit something. Grades K-5

Among Us Teen Game Night
Monday, Nov. 9 at 7 p.m.
Join your crewmates in a multiplayer game of teamwork and betrayal over Zoom! Download the free Among Us app, and play in a private match hosted by the WML. Grades 6-12

Preschool Storytime
Tuesday, Nov. 10 at 10 a.m.
This storytime for preschoolers includes books, rhymes, and music. Ages 3-5

Kindergarten Book Club
Tuesday, Nov. 10 at 4 p.m.
Join us for a virtual book club for kindergarteners who miss storytime or those who love to be read to. We will read, talk about a few books and do a virtual activity.

FAFSA Live
Tuesday, Nov. 10 at 5:30 p.m.
FAFSA Live will walk parents of high school seniors, enrolled college, and independent students through the application. Our presenter, Tom O'Hare from Get College Going and Pivotal College Years will offer helpful tips and answer your questions to make completing the application one less worry in the college planning process.

Baby Time
Thursday, Nov. 12 at 10 a.m.
This program of songs, rhymes, games and picture books is for babies under the age of two years and their caregivers.

Online LEGO Club
Thursday, Nov. 12 at 4 p.m.
Build LEGOs (or whatever building materials you have at your house) at the same time as other LEGO fans online. At the end, you can share what you made during the time, and show one other item that you may have already built at home. Ages 5+

Library Closed on Veterans Day
The WML will be closed on Wednesday, November 11 in observance of Veterans Day.

The latest on library services
You are able to visit the WML without an appointment to browse the first floor, pick up holds, use a computer with a 60 minute limit, and make a copy or use the fax machine. The library is open for these services Monday - Thursday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. and Friday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Curbside pickup is still available with new hours: Monday - Saturday 10am - 4pm. Appointments are still required to visit the Youth Services Department. All patrons must wear a mask and sanitize their hands upon arriving at the library.

WML Virtual Programming
See our entire calendar of events and register for programs at *wilmlibrary.org*. You will be emailed a Zoom link prior to the program.

Two seniors win MASC award

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activities, and potential college majors.

The committee next heard from Paul Ruggerio requesting that their Dec. 9 meeting which would spend time on the fiscal year 2022 budget be moved to Dec. 16. He also asked for the Jan. 13 meeting to become the 20th to allow more preparation time for the official budget hearing in mid-February. The only concern brought up was that they'd only have one meeting per month in both December and January.

In the end, they decided to add Jan. 20 for the budget update and keep Jan. 13 in case there are other important topics to discuss.

Jo Newhouse then addressed the dire need of volunteers for SEPAC, or the Special Education Parent Advisory Council.

"In my opinion, it's a great opportunity for parents to be able to help advise the School Committee and give input on special education needs in the district."

She said she'd be inviting anyone interested in joining the SEPAC volunteer board to a zoom meeting on Thursday, Nov. 5 at 6:30 p.m. via an email to all parents with students on IEPs. She also asked any questions be sent to her at *jo.newhouse@wpsk12.com*.

Led by M. J. Byrnes, the committee went through a number of resolutions from the Massachusetts Association for School Committees for which they could endorse, edit, or take no position. They agreed to endorse by not further discussing resolutions covering COVID-19 state funding, anti-racism, supporting increased federal support and stimulus funding for public k-12 education, retention of Medicaid revenue, attempts by US DOE to direct funding to private schools, membership of School Committee member on board of DESE, and providing equity and LGBTQ+ teachers and staff.

The first resolution that they dialogued was about MCAS and high stakes testing. Jenn Bryson made a motion to remove the phrase "for three years" so that it would only refer to high stakes testing for 2020-2021. While Jay Samaha wanted to keep it and Byrnes wanted to see it left up to the district, the board ended up voting in favor of the motion.

They next considered the resolution to lower the voting age for municipal elections.

David Ragsdale said, "I flat out reject one of the statements [it makes]: that 16-17 year olds possess the same level of thinking as 18 year olds."

Some committee members agreed with the sentiment of the resolution but couldn't support it in actuality. A few of them mentioned needing to do more research before they could decide, but they ended up voting to oppose.

Another resolution up for discussion was one relative to the monitoring of attendance of students during the pandemic. Steve Bjork was concerned about it being taken too liberally, but others said that districts shouldn't be held accountable the same way now as they have been before for attendance.

"I think it's close enough to the details that you know what they're going for, but broad enough that it would have to be pinned down in more detail. I'm comfortable as it's written to support," said Ragsdale.

They voted unanimously to support this resolution.

In subcommittee reports, Samaha summed up the recent work of the Equity Subcommittee, which made a mission statement to "promote a welcoming educational environment for all students... advance diversity, equity, and inclusion for families, students, and staff."

Bryson echoed that the work has been exciting so far.

The School Committee's next meeting will be Nov. 18 at 7 p.m. in the WHS media room, followed by Dec. 16 and then Jan. 13.



Filling up the cauldron with goodies

"Little Good Witch" Vivian and her mom Danielle shopping for groceries, cupcakes and candy on Halloween eve at Wilmington's Market Basket.
(photo: BruceHilliard.com)

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It's Your Money
by Todd Brisbois



DIVORCE OR SEPARATION MAY HAVE AN EFFECT ON TAXES

Taxpayers should be aware of tax law changes related to alimony and separation payments. These payments are made after a divorce or separation. The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act changed the rules around them. Following are some facts that will help people understand these changes and who they will impact.

The law relates to payments under a divorce or separation agreement. This includes divorce decrees, separate maintenance decrees, and written separation agreements.

In general, the taxpayer who makes payments to a spouse or former spouse can deduct it on their tax return. The taxpayer who receives the payments is required to include it in his or her income.

Beginning January 1, 2019, alimony or separate maintenance payments are not deductible from the income of the payer spouse, or includable in the income of the receiving spouse, if made under a divorce or separation agreement executed after December 31, 2018.

If an agreement was executed on or before December 31, 2018 and then modified after that date, the new law also applies. The new law applies if the modification does these two things: It changes the terms of the alimony or separate maintenance payments. It specifically says that alimony or separate maintenance payments are not deductible by the payer spouse or includable in the income of the receiving spouse.

Agreements executed on or before Dec. 31, 2018 follow the previous rules. If an agreement was modified after that date, the agreement still follows the previous law as long as the modifications don't do what's described above.

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Superintendent says hybrid model off to good start

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Despite setbacks with the high school going remote for two weeks due to new positive cases, Brand established that the hybrid model switch got off to a good start. He then explained all the reasons that accepting all requests to change learning model (remote to hybrid or vice versa) would be difficult, including but not limited to busing limits, class size limits, and securing and funding additional staffing for accommodating students.

"We're committed to providing opportunities for families to receive the learning model of their choice," he continued. "Efforts will be made to accommodate a student at their home school in any learning plan change."

He added that a survey would be sent out seeking these requests and that it may take 4-6 weeks to accommodate the requests that they receive.

The committee appreciated the superintendent explaining how difficult these changes would be to make. They also brought up the concerns sent in written comments.

"The theme this week is frustration and confusion regarding the hybrid model," Bryson said. "How are we supporting families to understand and guide their children through asynchronous work?"

Byrnes also wondered what guidelines or support could be given to parents to help set expectations.

Samaha took this moment to explain why it's preferable to have asynchronous time instead of remote students zooming into in-person classes.

"There are best practices for teaching students in front of you and best practices for teaching someone online... There's a lot of research out there that says trying to have kids zooming in isn't beneficial at home or in front of the teacher," he said.

Fennelly added that all of the learning models have drawbacks and there's no way to provide an ideal education this year.

While they considered asking in the aforementioned survey what kind of support parents need for their hybrid and remote students, they decided against it.

Bryson said, "When people go to Facebook with questions, worries and concerns, it makes me worry that we're not providing enough avenues of support."

The committee was still interested in finding other ways to support parents and caretakers of students in the hybrid learning model.

History:

Henny Penny's turkey shoots a Thanksgiving tradition

By LARZ F. NEILSON

Thanksgiving always brings on some "turkey shoots," usually held by sporting clubs. Nowadays, the event is usually a session of target shooting, with frozen turkeys given as prizes.

100 ago, Henry Wilson Sargent (1873-1941) conducted a turkey shoot every fall. For him, it was a money-making proposition. For hopeful shooters, it was a chance to bag a bird for Thanksgiving.

Sargent, known as "Henny Penny," lived in the Darius Buck house, at the intersection of Wildwood and Woburn streets in Wilmington. He hated the nickname and would say, "My name is Henry Wilson Sargent, and don't call me Henny Penny." The reply would come back, "Sure, Henny."

Henny Penny had a large log in a field, near where Wing Road is today. He would tether some turkeys behind the log and put down some corn for the birds. Once a turkey had taken the corn, it would then have to raise its head to swallow.

Hitting the bird in that brief second was as tricky as a carnival game.

Henny Penny charged a penny a shot. Shooters could only use a .22 calibre rifle; no shotguns were allowed. It was not an easy shot. The small bullet, the small head and the momentary exposure offered the shooter slim odds.

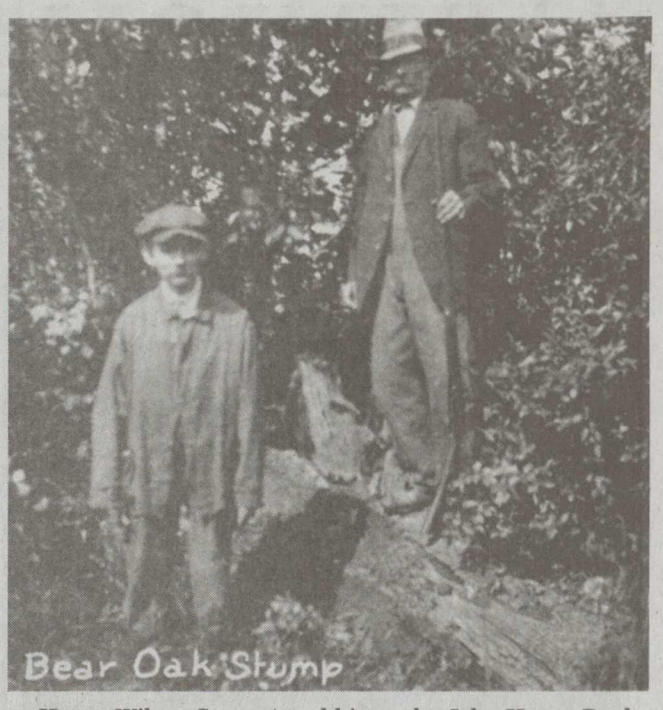
Henry was small of stature and was often bullied, which caused him to leave school. Nonetheless, he was of high intelligence and had exceptional penmanship.

He was a bicycle mechanic and was able to repair many things. He would charge a penny a minute, and would subtract any time spent talking when calculating his fee.

He was also an exceptional craftsman. He made several whirligigs. One had Uncle Sam chopping wood. It sold at auction several years ago for $12,000. It has sold since, but for an undisclosed sum. Other items he made included a ship model and a knick-knack cabinet full of miniature tools.

Henry's parents had separated and he was raised by two maiden aunts. It is said that he slept between them until adulthood. His parents were close by, though. His mother remarried and settled in a house on Wildwood Street. She spent her last years living with Henry. His father, "Shorty" Sargent, lived in a small house near the railroad tracks.

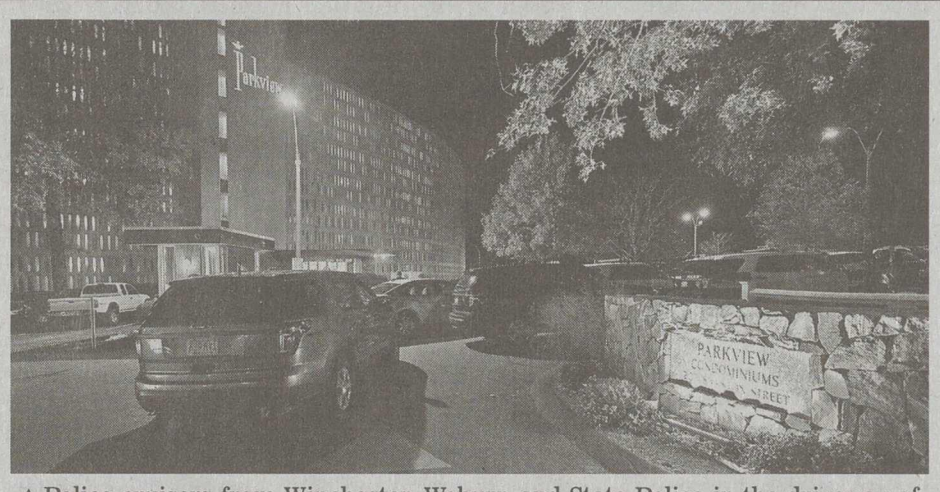
When he was nearly 50, he married Emma Murray, who ran a store at Perry's Corner, where Lucci's is today. For several years, he had a Model T Ford. In 1934, he bought a Willys coupe, which he kept in his barn on Wildwood Street. He and Emma would drive to church on Sundays, but if it was raining, they walked.



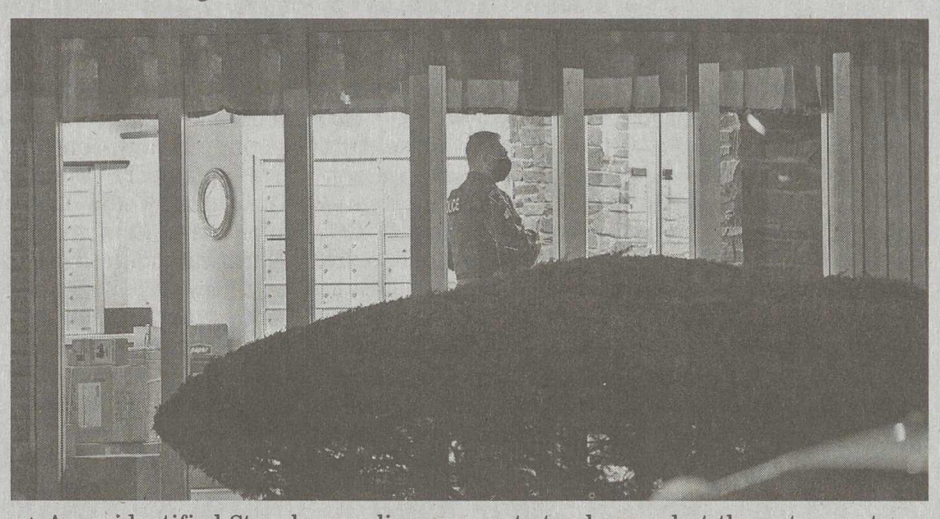
▲Henry Wilson Sargent and his uncle, John Henry Buck, posed for a photo at the "bear oak," after the tree was cut in the late 1890s. Buck is holding the Queen Anne's musket with which their ancestor shot the last bear in Wilmington, from that tree, alongside Wildwood Street. (Courtesy photo)

He was descended from several old Wilmington families, Butters, Harnden, Jaquith, Eames and Buck. His first name was from his grandfather, Henry Buck. His middle name was from the vice president of the United States, Henry Wilson of New Hampshire.

In 1672, Ephraim Buck built what is now the oldest house in Wilmington, known as the Benjamin Buck house. Benjamin and his brother Jonathan were wealthy farmers, raising hops. Jonathan built a house next door, now known as the Darius Buck house, where Henry spent his entire life. For many years, his shingle hung on the ell facing Woburn Street, bicycle repair.



▲Police cruisers from Winchester, Woburn and State Police in the driveway of the Parkview Apartments on Swanton Street in Winchester after an officer involved shooting.



▲An unidentified Stoneham police sergeant stands guard at the entrance to the Parkview Apartments at 200 Swanton St., after a Winchester police officer shot and killed a man on the third floor. (Photos by joebrownphotos.com)

Swanton Street, Winchester:

Officer-involved shooting leaves one man dead

By RYAN LAROCHE

WINCHESTER — Three Winchester police officers were placed on paid administrative leave following an officer-involved shooting at the Parkview Apartments at 200 Swanton St. last night around 8 p.m. that left one man dead.

According to reports, the officers arrived at the building when called by a security guard in regards to a 35-year old male, later identified as Thomas Celona, who resided in one of the units. That man reportedly had an issue within his unit, which police described as a "disturbance," though what that disturbance was remains under investigation.

When police arrived, they reportedly heard noise coming from inside the apartment. The officers then gained entry into the unit and reportedly observed the male party brandishing two knives. Police allegedly told the man to drop the knives and when he refused, they twice used a Taser in an attempt to subdue the man.

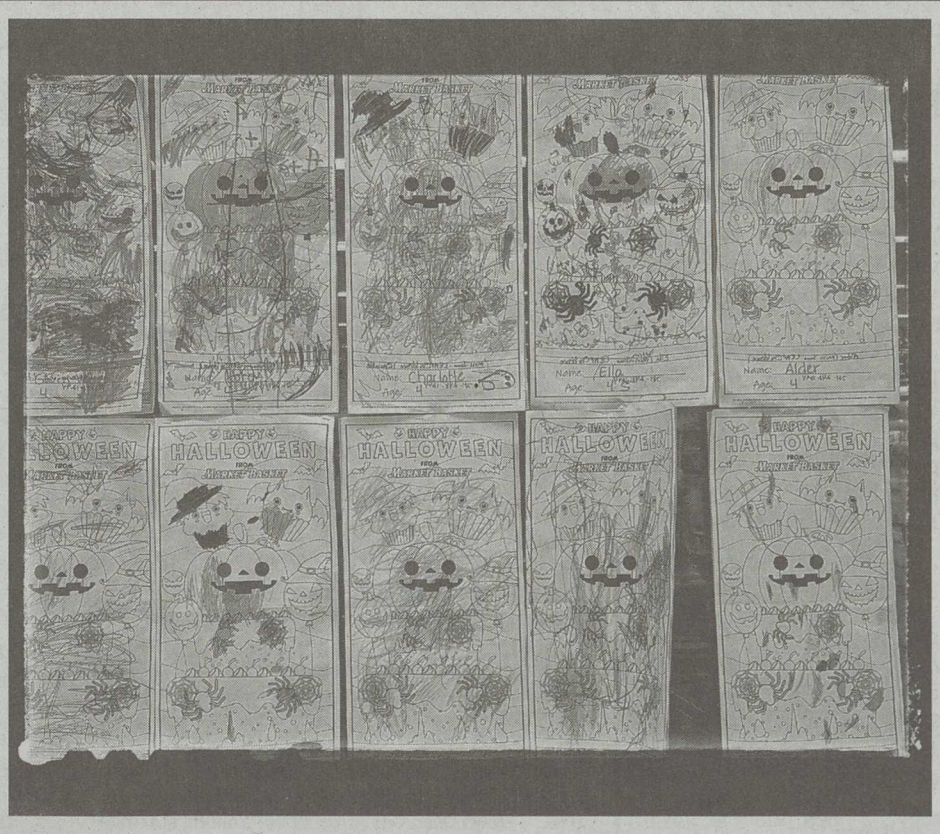
When that tactic reportedly failed, and the male party reportedly continued to approach the officers still in possession of the knives, one of the officers then fired his weapon striking the man. Police attempted to render first aid, and EMTs rushed him to the hospital where he later died.

The three officers involved in the incident were also transported to the hospital as a precaution, though according to Winchester Police Chief Peter MacDonnell, none of the officers sustained any physical injuries.

The officer who fired the shot had never reportedly fired his or her weapon in the line of duty before.

This is an ongoing and open investigation being conducted by the Middlesex District Attorney's Office, Massachusetts State Police assigned to that office and the Winchester Police Department.

All three officers will remain on administrative leave until the investigation is complete.



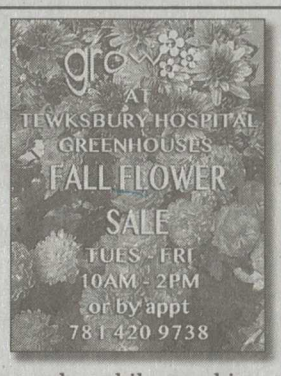
Budding Rembrandts

A few lucky four-year old kids show their Halloween art work on the windows of a local Market Basket grocery store. (photo: BruceHilliard.com)

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GROW is a multi-faceted program; we oversee the greenhouses at Tewksbury Hospital and proudly seed and grow the campus landscaping as a collaborative learning experience with residents. We work side by side with volunteers and employees to create a unique working environment where nature is celebrated and everybody has a place in the garden.

Challenged as we all are during COVID, GROW has found innovative approaches to building teamwork, while working independently; we built outdoor raised beds and we are wheelchair accessible for the first time. GROW is currently celebrating Stuart Cogswell, the greenhouses manager from the 1950s. We are seeding according to his hand-written notes from the 1953/1954 season. We are honoring Tewksbury's past history while making new history. (Funding for the Stuart Cogswell project was provided by the Tareila Mission Grant Program of the Tewksbury Congregational Church).

GROW is also a garden resource currently boasting a colorful array of fall annuals available to the public - in our open-air greenhouse - for suggested donations. Hand-made Christmas wreaths and ornaments are not far behind!

Hours of operation are Tuesday-Friday 10am-2pm or by appointment. Spring/summer 2021 will feature a greatly enhanced annual menu, but for now we are confident our Mums will hold you over- (20% discount to COC members).

Your Mums are waiting!

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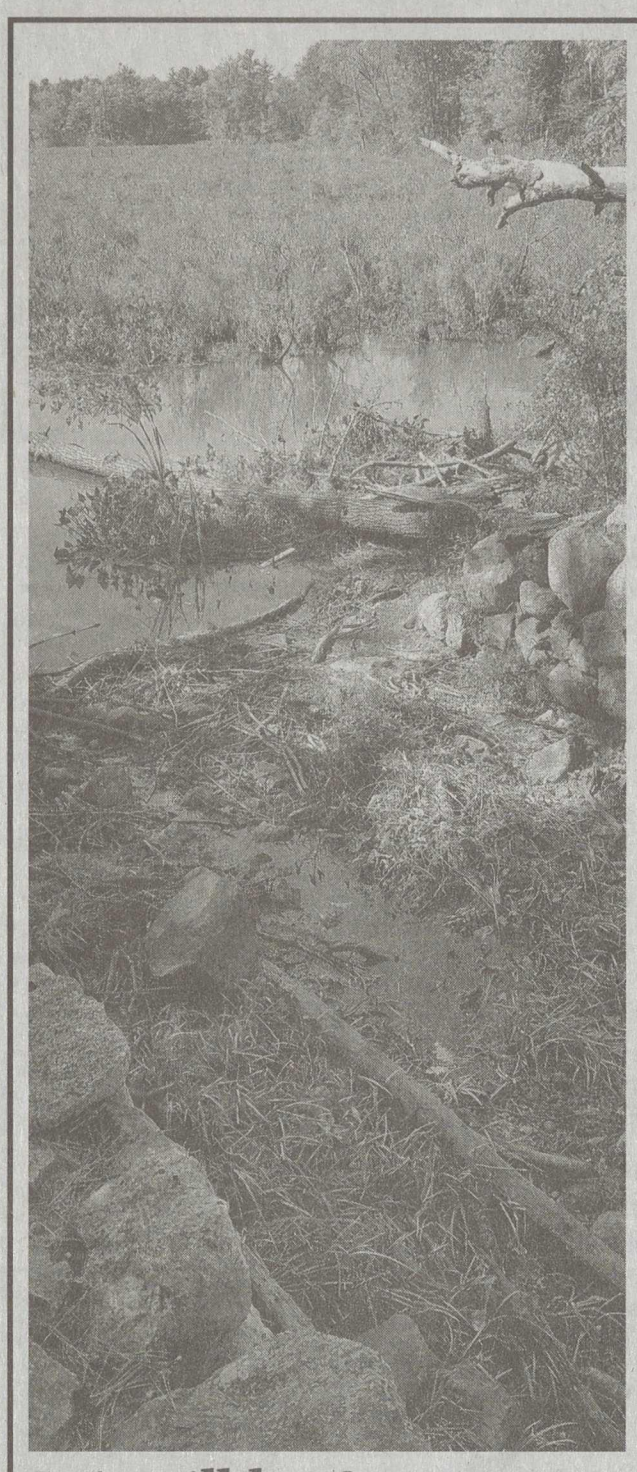


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Is it still low?

Recently water levels at the Middlesex Canal in Wilmington were quite low due to a summer with little rain. The canal shows the results. Of course, this was before the pre-Halloween snowstorm!

(photo: BruceHilliard.com)

Battle against racism through education

By PAUL J. ANDREWS
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This column will focus on the complex anti-racist education efforts being considered or implemented in most of our schools. Also, we will focus on the IQ issue for presidential candidates or presidents, plus some Morning Pulse extractions.

The issues around racism are complex to identify. We now have many folks who are self-appointed experts in this field who are out there to tell you how to solve this problem, when most know, this has to be solved inside a business, organization, school, home and inside each person. We will be looking at this issue in the school and try to focus on that complex issue.

Schools

The schools of a community allow us to do some interesting things around an anti-racist check, according to Denisa Superville in Education Week, as she says, "(the schools) might be a trusting culture for teachers, parents and students, along with examples of culturally relevant pedagogy, or curriculum materials."

Superville provides some thoughts on what can be done in a school including: conducting an equity audit; engaging in personal reflection; taking some small steps; hiring well; giving students a voice; some wait time; pause and elaboration time and a rallying call. This requires a great deal of one's thinking.

For example, let's look at "engaging in personal reflection" a program at Columbia University that has aspiring leaders write a "racial autobiography" that includes the first time they became aware of race and racial identity and coming to grips with unconscious biases. An audit may reveal that students do not feel they belong, says Superville. This could become the spark to implement a social-emotional learning program.

Finally and most important, the key beginning of this process is to get all parties in the "school building culture" in agreement on the need to address this issue of anti-racism as without agreement cultural change (if needed) will never occur.

Topic Presidential IQ

Following the last presidential debate, I found it interesting to see criticism of the candidates and errors in some responses to questions. In fact, there was a "report card" of letter grades that I found interesting and amazing.

When did a perfect IQ become a prerequisite for a presidential nominee? I maybe have it wrong but I see a president who is a person to bring the country together and develop a united legislative agenda here in the United States and a solid foreign policy around the world.

I see a president who will reach out to select the very best experienced professionals as members of his or her cabinet.

Staff members in the offices of government will provide their expertise to superiors who will move concrete specific proposals from their departments and bureaus to the secretary and even towards the president if approved at all levels subject to necessary requirements.

While we like to think that a president or presidential candidate knows and remembers "all" this is wrong and is the reason we have so many specialists in the departments. At no time have we demanded more responses from a president but I feel there has to be a better understanding of what makes sense to be asked a candidate, as opposed to being a "report card" check for the president.

JUST A NOTE — My thanks for your e-mails to *andrews@massupt.org*.

Sad to say it but we are seeing the return of COVID-19 to our area so the basic precautions should be taken or continued. Following are some Morning Pulse extractions for your reading: During the pandemic shoppers came on line for the essentials and stayed for the convenience; COVID is crushing small business; Colorado town paying visitors $100 to come; United Kingdom urges businesses to prepare for end of the Brexit transition; Alzheimer's could hit the older Latino population as the population quadruples; Financial planning improves your health; Broadway extends coronavirus shutdown through mid-2021; Working from home is taking a toll on employees as 70 percent want to return to the office; Higher education should serve entire families, not just students; It is never too early to teach your youngsters about cybersecurity; 3 in 5 older workers could retire in poverty due to the pandemic; Resilient US economy has overcome COVID-19 recession; Keeping money at home can be costly for investors; US unveils enforcement framework to combat terrorist, criminal cryptocurrency activities; Walmart to sell Medicare plans in latest healthcare push; House investigates Amazon, Apple, Facebook and Google for engaging in anti-competitive monopoly tactics; The farm of the future might be in Compton, inside a warehouse and run partly by robots; Studies confirm that half of Americans struggle with retirement; and Australia plans massive pandemic budget and a record deficit.

Masks donated to first responders from Taiwan Chamber of Commerce



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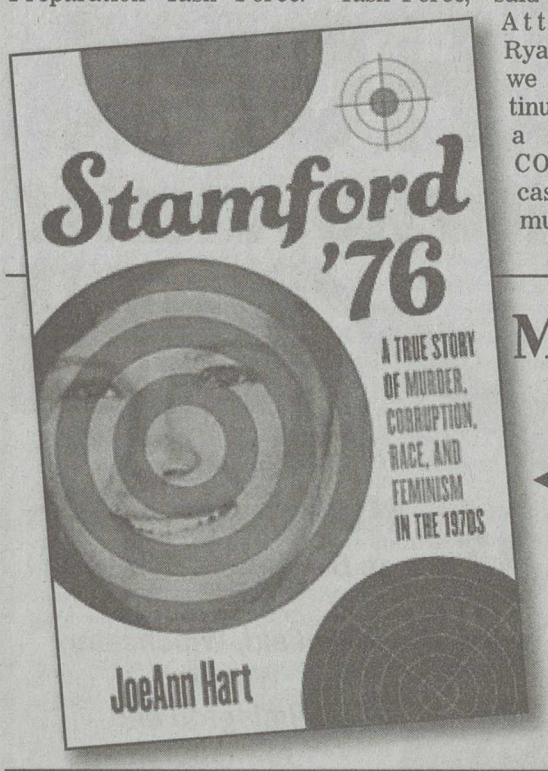
WOBURN — Middlesex District Attorney Marian Ryan and Congresswoman Katherine Clark are pleased to announce the donation of 7,500 masks from the Taiwan Chamber of Commerce to first responders in Middlesex County and members of the District Attorney's COVID Preparation Task Force on Oct. 27, 2020.

The donation comes after the need for additional Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) was identified by the Middlesex District Attorney's COVID Preparation Task Force. The Task Force, launched this summer, was created to bring together first responders, including private and municipal ambulance companies as well as police and fire chiefs, to identify and address the needs of those on the frontlines of the COVID-19 pandemic and to connect participants with appropriate resources and supplies to secure PPE.

"We are grateful for the collaborative work between Congresswoman Clark's office, the Taiwan Chamber of Commerce and this Task Force," said District Attorney Ryan. "As we continue to see a rise in COVID-19 cases, we must be vigilant about PPE. Masks save lives and this is certainly true when it comes to our first-responders. We will continue to work with stakeholders to connect those on the front lines to more resources and supplies to ensure their safety."

"The 7,500 masks donated to our first responders are essential to protecting these brave frontline workers and our community at large," said Congresswoman Clark. "Since the start of this devastating pandemic, the Taiwan Chamber of Commerce has donated hundreds of thousands of masks to communities and organizations across Massachusetts. Their generosity saves lives, and their altruism embodies the central lesson of this global tragedy: we are stronger and safer when we are united, not divided."

Jonathan C.Y. Sun, Director-General from Taiwan Chamber of Commerce; Dennis Cataldo, President and CEO from Cataldo Ambulance and President of Massachusetts Ambulance Association; Robert F. Rufo, Woburn Chief of Police; and Joseph Bennett, Hopkinton Chief of Police attended the event.



Murder, corruption, feminism, true crime, memoir

◀JoeAnn Hart's story of a crime from the 70s

Gloucester writer JoeAnn Hart was a child of the 1970s. After dropping out of college, she worked as a server in Stamford, CT, where she met Joe, a Columbia University dropout, and began a two year romance with him. They were part of a small circle of interracial couples, not an easy life, and it proved deadly for JoeAnn's friend Margo, whose body was found in a shallow grave with two arrow holes in her chest on July 4, 1976.

Margo's boyfriend Howie, accused of the crime, was killed soon after in a suspicious robbery, in a city whose police department was controlled by the Gambino crime family. All these elements make for a fascinating tale, which Eileen MacDougall, Book Stew host, explores with the author in the November Book Stew episode.

Please check out the new Book Stew episode on WCTV on Tuesdays at 1 p.m., Wednesdays at 8 p.m., Friday at 7 p.m., and Saturdays at noon. Also available on demand:

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OBITUARIES

George A. Janes

Served in the US Army during Korean War

George A. Janes, age 91, of Wilmington, passed away peacefully on Oct. 31, 2020, at Windsor Place in Wilmington.

George was born on Sept. 9, 1929, in Everett; he was the dear son of the late Alfred and Alice (Moore) Janes. George was raised in Melrose and a graduate of Melrose High School High School. George went on to further his education at Northeastern University in Boston.

George was inducted as a Sergeant on April 25, 1951, with the United States Army during the Korean War. He was then commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant as he began his active duty on June 19, 1952 at Camp Gordon in Georgia.

George was stationed overseas where he earned several commendations for his fine service including the Korean Service Medal with 2 Bronze Service Stars, the United Nations Service Medal, the Bronze Star Medal, 1 Oveseas Bar, and the National Defense Medal.

George was honorably discharged as a 1st Lieutenant to the U.S. Army Reserves at Ft. Devens and returned home to his family.

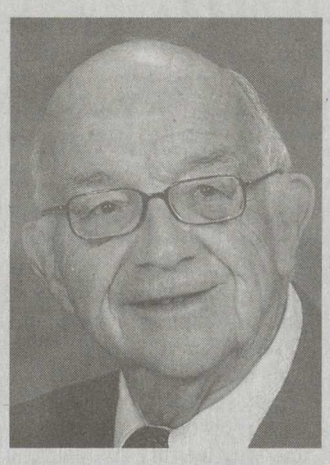
George worked hard throughout the years; he was an engineer for the Telephone Company and instrumental in modernizing communications. George's vast knowledge and pleasant personality made him quite successful.

George married his "sweetheart" Peggy White in Billerica in 1962; the couple settled in Wilmington where they raised their family. George was also very active in his new community; he was the member of the Friendship Lodge of Masons for over 50 years; volunteering his time and talents to anyone in need. George was also a very active member of the Wilmington United Methodist Church where he sang in the choir and helped with various groups and charity events throughout the years.

George will be fondly remembered as a "quiet guy," he had an endearing personality and a great smile. George would often go out of his way to help others in need; never expecting anything in return. He was truly a "gentleman" and will forever be missed by all who knew and loved him.

George was the beloved husband of the late Margaret A. "Peggy" (White) Janes, devoted father of Peter Janes of Wilmington and the late Deborah Caseri and her late husband Timothy of Port St. Lucie, FL, loving grandfather of Brendan Patrick Dargis and great-grandfather of Amelia Rose Dargis.

Dear brother of the late John Janes, Ella Alden and Dorothy Taylor. George is also survived by his



nieces Lorna Taylor of Marlborough, Keith and Leslie Taylor of Spencer, Donna Drotter of Florida, Ellen White, Jennifer Blanchette and Jonathan White all of New Hampshire, as well as several other nieces and nephews.

Family and friends will gather for a Graveside Service with Military Honors on Friday, Nov. 6 at noon in the Veteran's Section of Wildwood Cemetery, 233 Middlesex Ave., Wilmington, MA.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in George's memory to the Wilmington United Methodist Church, 87 Church St., Wilmington, MA 01887 or to the Visiting Nurse & Community Care, 37 Broadway, Suite 2, Arlington, MA 02474.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Nichols Funeral Home, Wilmington.

www.nicholsfuneral home.com

Frank L. Procopio

Served in US Marine Corps during Korean War

Frank L. Procopio, age 90, a resident of Tewksbury for the past 22 years, passed away at the Lahey Hospital & Medical Center in Burlington on Friday, Oct. 30, 2020.

He was the beloved husband of Natalie M. (Chiccarelli) Procopio, with whom he celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary on Sept. 27, 2020.

Besides his wife, he is survived by two daughters, Maria L. Cutelis and her husband James of Tewksbury, and Donna M. Ferris and her husband Scott of Auburn; six grandchildren, Kayla Salah and her husband Thomas, Kelsey Kelich and her husband Pete, Frankie Mc Laughlin and his girlfriend Alexis Chaet, Timothy, Lauren, and Jessica Ferris; his former son-in-law, Frank McLaughlin of Pepperell; and two siblings, Larry Procopio of CT, and Rita Bain of Newburyport.

Born in Somerville on Jan. 20, 1930, he was the son of the late Frank D. Procopio and the late Sarah (Sacco) Procopio.

Frank was raised in Cambridge and attended Cambridge schools.

In 1948, he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and served during the Korean War.

Following his honorable discharge from active duty, he received training and certification in the field of aircraft engine repair and maintenance.

Prior to his retirement in 1994, Frank worked as an Airplane Mechanic for United Airlines for over 35 years.

Frank resided in Arlington until moving to Tewksbury in 1998. He was a former member of the Arlington Sons of Italy.

He enjoyed attending his daughter's and grandchildren's athletic events and dance recitals, dining out, vacationing with his family, and playing cards at the Tewksbury Senior Center. In addition, he was an avid New England Patriots, Boston Celtics, and Boston Red Sox fan.

Calling hours in adherence to state COVID-19 guidelines will be held Wednesday, Nov. 4, from 4



- 6 p.m. at the Farmer & Dee Funeral Home, 16 Lee St., Tewksbury. His funeral procession will begin on Thursday, Nov. 5, at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home, followed by his Funeral Mass at 11:30 a.m. at St. William's Church, 1351 Main St., Rte. 38, Tewksbury. Interment at St. Mary Cemetery, Tewksbury. Masks/face covering, and social distancing required at all venues.

In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory may be made to Tewksbury Community Food Pantry, 999 Whipple Road, Tewksbury, MA 01876.

Mary F. (Gill) Whitney

Recipient of Rotary Paul Harris award

Mary F. (Gill) Whitney, age 76, of Wilmington, passed away peacefully at home on Oct. 27, 2020.

Mary was born in Boston on Feb. 4, 1944; she along with her twin sister Margaret were the cherished daughters of Mary Gill.

Mary was raised and educated in Billerica and attended Billerica Memorial High School.

Mary married her "sweetheart" Ed Whitney in 1964; the couple moved to Wilmington where they raised their family. Mary's family was her world; she loved being a wife, mother and especially a grandmother; she adored those kids.

Mary's door was always open to her family, friends and neighbors; she made everyone feel welcomed and loved.

After a few years in Wilmington as her family expanded, Mary and Ed moved a few doors down where she met her new neighbor Joan Bruce; the two hit it off immediately and became immediate friends. Mary and Ed, Joan and Chet raised their children together, traveled together and created countless memories together. Mary and Joan were truly as close as "sisters" could be.

Mary was also very active in her community and was the first to volunteer to help in any way she could. Mary was one of the original founders of the famous Woburn Street School Pumpkin Fair, for many years she was instrumental in orchestrating the Wilmington Rotary Club Annual Auction and the holiday clothing drives for kids in need.

Mary loved hosting Rotary festivities large or small and she held countless hockey banquets throughout the years. Mary was always donating and bidding on things to raise money for causes that her close to her heart.

Mary was the recipient of the prestigious Rotary Paul Harris award and a runner up candidate for the Wilmington Good Guy Award. These were all nice gestures but they were not what Mary was about; she was humble, unassuming and never looked for any credit for what she did to help others.

Mary did everything from "her heart"; she truly loved helping people and she never expected anything in return or any "spotlight" for her efforts. Mary loved to host events large or small; she was always working behind the scenes and enjoyed watching others have a good time.

Mary loved spending time at their family home along the Annisquam River in Gloucester; this was one of her favorite places in the world.

Mary enjoyed having family and friends visit; she hosted many dock parties at the Marina, she had annual lobster/clam bakes and cookouts on Rust Island; everyone always had a great time. Mary also looked forward to the many special trips that she took with her family and friends to Bermuda; another one of her favorite places.

Mary's talents didn't stop with her "hosting abilities"; she was a talented artist, painter, floral designer, she had a keen talent in creating beautiful ceramic pieces and was a fanatic at finding a good yard sale where she could pick up some unique bargains.

Mary will be fondly remembered as a wonderful lady; she was kind, caring, loyal and would do anything to help anyone. Mary was generous of her time and talents to make others happy. Mary loved her family and friends with all her heart and she will forever be missed by those who loved her.

Mary was the beloved wife of Edward C. Whitney, Jr., devoted mother of Patricia Whitney of Wakefield, Ned Whitney and his wife Christine and Kathy Timmons and her husband Erik all of Wilmington, Bob Whitney of Tewksbury and Mike Whitney and his wife Jillian of Gloucester.



Special aunt of Tara Gomez and her husband Rigo of Ewa Beach, Hawaii. Loving "Nannie" and "Nana Whitta" of Jake, Dylan and Zack Timmons, Alex, Kara, Kaycee and Joey Whitney, Devon and Ty Whitney, Kyera Tamagini, Remy and Cala Scott, Mia Gomez and great nanny to Kasen Kaukani.

Cherished daughter of the late Mary Gill, dear twin sister of the late Margaret Buccaroni. Mary is survived by her sister-in-law of Carol Bourque of Chelmsford, her cousin Mary Boermeester of Billerica and her cherished best friend Joan Bruce of New Hampton, NH.

Due to the current situation with COVID-19 and for everyone's safety the Whitney family has decided to have a private service at this time.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in Mary's memory to MSPCA Nevins Farm, 400 Broadway, Methuen, MA 01844.

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Jacqueline D. 'Jackie' Mitza

Worked as a Realtor in Wilmington

Jacqueline Dawn Mitza, of Wilmington, formerly of Cambridge, passed away peacefully on Oct. 30, 2020, with her loved ones at her side, following a courageous year-long battle with advanced cancer.

Born in Cambridge, Jacqueline was one of two children of the late William "Bill" Hoey and Ann (DeFrancisco) Hoey.

Jackie was raised and educated in Cambridge. She was a 1974 graduate of St. Mary High School where she excelled as a student athlete on the basketball court and softball field. Jackie made many lifelong friendships from her days at St. Mary's that she truly cherished.

Jackie has been a Wilmington resident for the past 25 years.

She was the beloved wife of Lawrence "Larry" Mitza. Jackie met Larry when they were both attending college, through Larry's sister, Cindy, who was close friends with Jackie. The young couple soon married, had their first child, and spent the next 45 years together.

For the past 25 years, Jackie worked as a realtor in Wilmington. Prior to becoming a realtor, Jackie was a teacher's aide for the City of Cambridge Public Schools.

Jackie is survived by her children, Heidi Mitza and her husband Mike of Wilmington, and Lawrence Mitza of Wilmington.

In addition to her late parents, Jackie is predeceased by her brother, James Lamoureux. She is also survived by many loving cousins and nieces and nephews.

Jackie was devoted to her family and enjoyed entertaining and cooking for her family, extended family and friends. She also enjoyed spending time at the beach, walking, and reading.

She was always very generous, a great listener (self-proclaimed "nosy"), and enjoyed helping others. She loved animals, was an avid fan of the Boston sports teams, and enjoyed spending time and having laughs with too many friends to name.

Everyone loved Jackie because of her kind and accepting manner, sense of humor, and uncompromised loyalty.

Funeral services will be held from the Dello Russo Family Home, 374 Main St., WILMINGTON, Thursday, Nov. 5, at 10 a.m. followed by a funeral Mass



celebrated in St. Dorothy Church, Main Street, Wilmington, at 11 a.m. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend. Visiting hours will be held on Wednesday, from 4 to 7 p.m. Services will conclude with burial at Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington.

All attending must wear a face mask and adhere to strict social distancing protocols. It has been requested that in lieu of flowers contributions may be made in Jackie's memory to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-1942. To leave an online message of condolence please visit *www.dellorusso.net*

Robert B. 'Bob' Nims

General Electric employee for 41 years

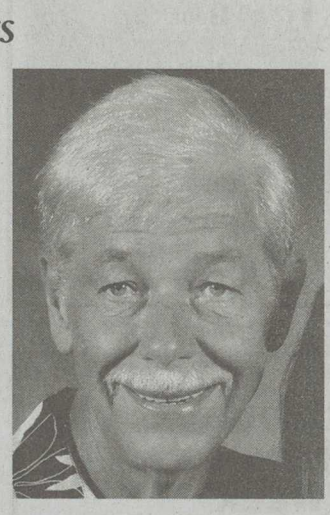
Robert B. "Bob" Nims, a long-time resident of Wilmington, passed away on Oct. 30, 2020.

Bob was the beloved husband of Dawn M. (Tamburino) Nims, devoted father of Scott Nims and his wife Patricia of Lowell, Jared Nims and his fiancée Alexa Whalen of Salem, NH and Kyle Nims of Wilmington, loving "Bob-O" of Savannah, cherished son of the late Robert L. and Bertha (Hurd) Nims, dear brother of Loretta D'Entremont and her husband Carl of North Andover, son-in-law of Lucy Tamburino, brother-in-law of JoAnn Tamburino and John Tamburino.

Bob is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, friends and his beloved dog, Ziggy.

Bob was a dedicated General Electric employee for 41 years. He was very involved in Wilmington youth sports, often coaching many of his sons' baseball and basketball teams.

Family and friends will gather for Visitation at Nichols Funeral Home, Inc., 187 Middlesex Ave., (Rte. 62), Wilmington on Friday, Nov. 6 from 5 - 8 p.m. A Funeral Service will take place in Wildwood Cemetery, 233 Mid-



dlesex Ave., Wilmington on Saturday, Nov. 7 at 11 a.m.

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Tewksbury Police Log

Two parties reportedly scammed by Nashua, NH woman

Monday, October 26

12:53 a.m. - Caller reported an erratic operator at Livingston Street heading down Livingston from North Street to East Street. A red Honda Accord crossed the double yellow line. Police sent but gone on arrival.

5:01 a.m. - Lyft driver stated he was assaulted by a female party at Lodge at Ames Pond. Police sent. Derrian Regan, 26, of 157 Perkins St. in Somerville, was arrested and charged with intimidated witness/jurors/police/court official, assault and battery, Quincy DC default warrant, Wrentham DC straight warrant, Gardner DC straight warrant, and East Brookfield DC straight warrant.

8:12 a.m. - A suspicious vehicle parked behind Forest Terrace Condo Association. Police sent. They checked the area but gone on arrival.

3:29 p.m. - A child has been screaming for the last five minutes at Chandler Street. Police sent. They cleared the party who was spoken to.

6:37 p.m. - A 911 caller reported argument at Walgreens between a male and female customer and the male clerk. Police sent. The parties left in a red Sedan, possibly starting with a known license plate. Police stopped the vehicle. Officer filed a report.

Tuesday, October 27

11:02 a.m. - A 911 caller reported suspicious vehicle at Apache Way. Police sent. Police requested that they check with Indian Ridge to see if this party was working on the property. Property management confirmed; he was supposed to be working there.

1:33 p.m. - Police sent at Charles Drive for a report of gun shots. They spoke to the party; everything checked out.

4:42 p.m. - Walmart asset protection calling to report a shoplifter. Shana Mutembei, 26, of 144 Concord St. in Lowell, was arrested and charged with shoplifting by asportation.

10:24 p.m. - Police out at Holiday Inn attempting to serve a warrant. Giovanni Rivera, 27, of 61 S Policy St. in Salem, was arrested and charged with a warrant abuse prevention violation and possession class B drugs.

Wednesday, October 28

1:20 a.m. - Police out with a vehicle for inspection sticker at Route 133. Anthony Maldonado, 31, of 119 Temple St. in Nashua, was arrested and charged with operating motor vehicle with license revoked, a warrant for operation motor vehicle with license suspension, default warrant for possession class B drugs, default warrant for operation motor vehicle license suspended, and a default warrant Lowell DC operation motor vehicle with license suspended.

3:55 p.m. - Call from Bailey Road for a suspicious vehicle that pulled in out of their driveway multiple times about an hour ago. The driver of the vehicle also appeared to reach into their mailbox and take something out. Police sent to speak with homeowner. Misunderstanding; the caller's neighbor put a check out in the mailbox for a friend to pick up. The friend went to the wrong house.

4:38 p.m. - The caller was getting death threat messages from her sister at Baldwin Street. Police spoke with the caller and filed a report.

Thursday, October 29

7:54 p.m. - Caller reported a suspicious vehicle parked in the parking lot at Mac's Dairy Farm. The vehicle was occupied by two people. While speaking to the caller, she reported that the vehicle was leaving the parking area.

7:58 p.m. - Caller reported that her neighbor was banging on the ceiling below her at Ames Hill Drive. Police sent. All parties spoken to.

Friday, October 30

3 p.m. - Caller reported a gold Honda CRV parked at Woodside Territory that was occupied by one male. Vehicle was running. Officer spoke with operator who was on the phone with his girlfriend.

3:29 p.m. - The front desk clerk requested assistance with unwanted guests who were smoking in their room at Marriott Towne Place. Police sent. Parties were spoken to; they were packing their things and leaving.

8:10 p.m. - The caller and his wife were scammed at Ruby Way. One party requested to meet him with money tomorrow. Officer spoke to the party. Mariia Leontieva, 24, of 23 Newcastle Drive at Nashua, New Hampshire, was arrested and charged with a warrant for identity fraud, received stolen property over $1,200, larceny over $1,200 by false pretense, possess/use false/stolen RMV document, and identity fraud.

11:33 p.m. - A 911 caller at Shawsheen Street and Knollwood Road reported a two-car motor vehicle accident with injury. Police and ambulance sent. Erin Charron, 41, of 17 Kent St. in Tewksbury, was arrested and charged with OUI liquor, negligent operation of motor vehicle and marked lanes violation.

Saturday, October 31

12:55 p.m. - A 911 caller was concerned for the well being of his girlfriend at Ames Hill Drive. She left the apartment about an hour ago. He called her on her cell phone and she was making weird noises but never spoke. The phone went dead. The police tried calling her with the phone with Verizon. The phone was traced to Turning Mill Road in Lexington. They will send units to the area to look for her. Officer filed a report.

1:10 p.m. - A 911 caller reported there was a female party claiming she was punched in the face by her boyfriend at Extended Stay America. Police sent. They confirmed a warrant for the female party. Nina Benoit, 29, of 164 Putnam St. in Quincy, was arrested and charged with a warrant for larceny over $1,200 by false pretense.

Sunday, November 1

12:27 a.m. - Caller states that somebody threw eggs at their house at Barker Road. Police sent. They spoke with the homeowner and conducting an area search.

2:37 a.m. - Multiple calls for a rollover with entrapment at Brown Street. Police and ambulance sent. Jordan Santos, 20, of 50 Walnut St. in Dracut, was arrested and charged with OUI liquor, negligent operation of motor vehicle, and marked lanes violation.

Wilmington Police Log

Woman arrested for reportedly shoplifting at CVS

Friday, October 23:

5:04 a.m.: On Main Street, a man clad all in black hung a large Trump sign from one telephone pole to another. Police notified the Fire Department and Reading Light and took down the sign themselves, while the man himself was missing.

3:18 p.m.: A driver reported seeing a female driver at the intersection of Federal Street and Middlesex Avenue in a grey 2020 Toyota Corolla smoking marijuana with her female passenger. When police arrived, the parties were gone.

6:09 p.m.: A man was reported as staggering and smelling of alcohol at the pumps of AL Prime on Main Street before driving off in a white 2013 Ford F150.

9:34 p.m.: Ashley Guimaraes, 29, of 195 Wildwood St. was summonsed for operating a vehicle with a revoked license and a red light violation. Her grey 2017 Chevy Equinox was towed on Main Street.

Saturday, October 24:

9:50 a.m.: A caller reported hearing what he thought were gunshots around 3:45 a.m. and seeing a vehicle leave the area. Upon further inspection, fireworks were found in front of the property.

12:11 a.m.: A motor vehicle collision occurred on Main Street between a red 1994 Suzuki Intruder motorcycle and a white 2017 Subaru Impreza, causing closure signs to be posted, a detective to be contacted for photos, and an AED to be brought out. Both vehicles were towed and the operator of the Subaru was written up for failing to yield at an intersection.

5:32 p.m.: A rabid or dying raccoon was reported on Lawrence Street and the caller was advised on the options available.

6:36 p.m.: A resident of the Milestone Group Home on High Street was reported as having left and headed towards the Woburn Street School. Staff were spoken to and the area was searched, but the party could not be found and was reported missing to the CJIS.

8:21 p.m.: A goose fell out of a tree near the Methodist Church and was removed by a resident so as not to be seen by children at the haunted house. Animal Control was then contacted.

10:31 p.m.: A caller reported that someone had shot paintballs at the front bay window of his Salem Street home, but not caused any damage

10:57 p.m.: A party in a green 2013 GMC 3500 was reported as shining lights into a bedroom window on Blackstone Street, being somewhat aggressive when confronted by officers.

11:24 p.m.: A caller reported that a driver in front of him threw an object out of their window, starting a brush fire at Lynch Materials on Salem Street. The object appears to have been a firework and the Fire Department extinguished any flames.

Sunday, October 25:

8:01 a.m.: Animal Control officers removed a deceased goose from Church Street.

9:12 a.m.: On Kiernan Avenue, a caller reported that he could hear a female yelling for help from behind a house nearby. A resident on Naples Street later reported that they also heard yelling, but from the Square One Plaza. A third resident also reported yelling, but police were unable to locate the source.

11:38 a.m.: At the Registry of Motor Vehicles on Middlesex Avenue, a caller reported that the windows of a white 2014 Ford Fusion belonging to the Department of Transportation were smashed.

Monday, October 26:

5:45 a.m.: A motor vehicle collision took place on Ballardvale Street between a 2005 grey Acura TSX and a white 2018 Ford Focus in which airbags deployed and the vehicles were towed.

9:16 a.m.: Animal Control officers removed a deceased raccoon from Lawrence Street.

9:38 a.m.: At the intersection of Routes 38 and 62, a white 2019 Chevy Silverado belonging to Keolis clipped a brown 2007 GMC Sierra. Keolis was contacted and investigated the incident.

1:54 p.m.: A woman in a blue 2011 Volkswagen Jetta was involved in a road rage incident on Industrial Way in which a balding, middle-aged, white man in a GMC pickup truck had gotten out of his vehicle between traffic lights and began hitting her car with his hand. He left when the caller informed him that she had a gun on her person.

Tuesday, October 27:

12:02 a.m.: Jennifer Blanchette, 39, of 41 Walnut St. was arrested for shoplifting at the CVS on Main Street after she left the scene in an Uber. She was also arrested for possession of Class E drugs

10:07 a.m.: Animal Control officers removed a deceased raccoon from Shawsheen Avenue.

2:33 p.m.: A motor vehicle collision occurred near Eastern Bank on Main Street between a white 2012 Nissan Altima and a white 2004 Mercedes. The Fire Department was contacted as airbags were deployed and a written warning was issued for a hands free violation and expired license. Both vehicles were towed.

Wednesday, October 28:

1:23 p.m.: A blue 2005 GMC Sierra was involved in a motor vehicle collision near Enterprise on Main Street, with a male striking his head on the windshield and bleeding. The curb and Enterprise sign were also damaged.

2:28 p.m.: An employee at the Trump Store on Main Street reported that a vehicle had been parked outside for the past two days. Police attempted to contact the owner but could not find any information about them.

4:19 p.m.: A caller on Eleanor Drive reported a dispute with her neighbor in which the neighbor yelled at her and her dog attacked the caller's through a fence. The two separated until the neighbor entered the caller's backyard and screamed at her until peace was restored by police.

4:21 p.m.: A tree fell down on Roosevelt Road, bringing down a wire with it that was reported as sparking. Police notified Reading Light, Verizon, and DPW.

Thursday, October 29:

3:39 a.m.: John Kennedy, 46, of 134 Salem St. was arrested for shoplifting after his second incident at CVS on Main Street.

7:09 a.m.: A deer ran into a white 2015 Subaru Legacy on Salem Street and Evergreen Drive, breaking the passenger window before running off into the woods.

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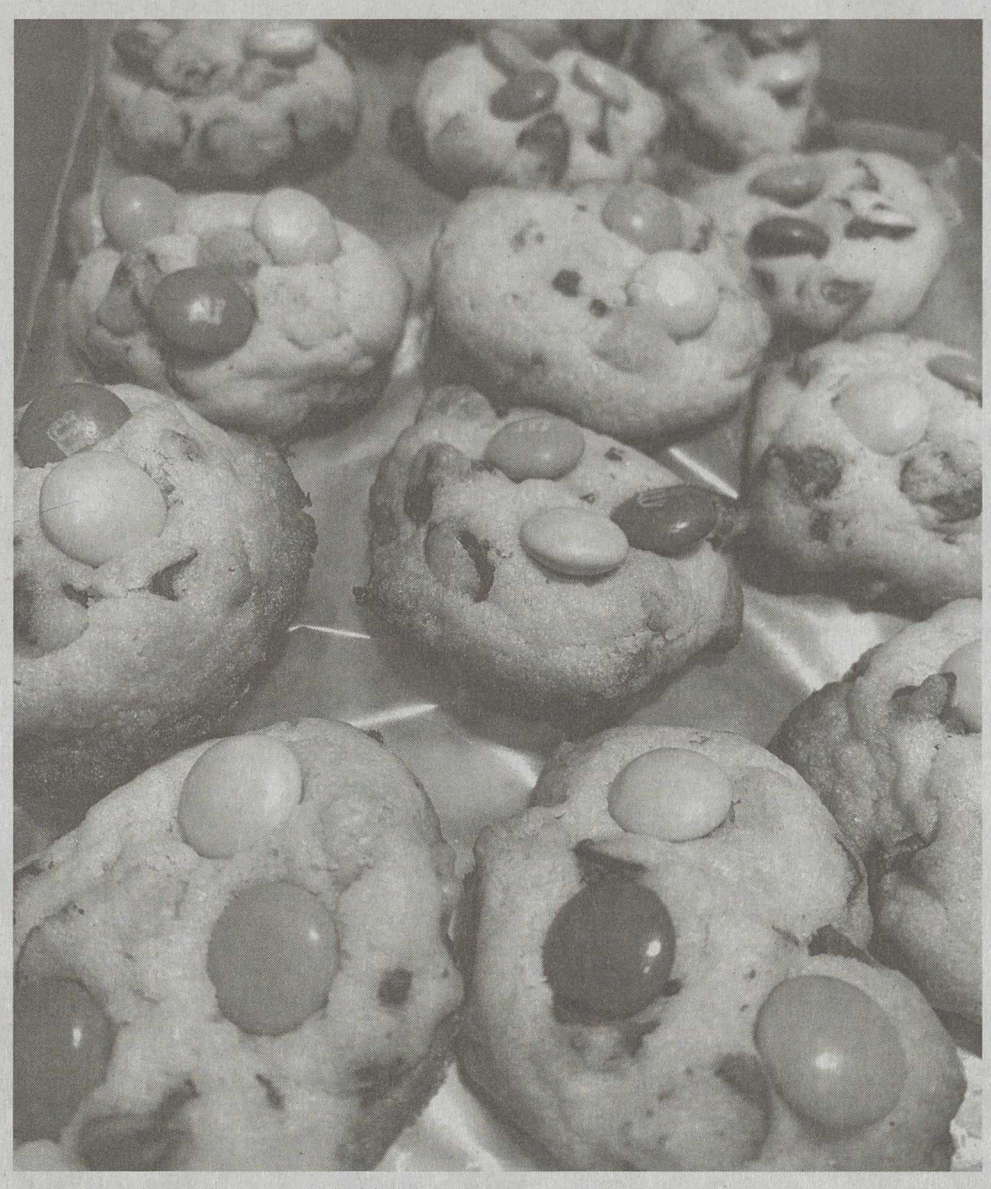
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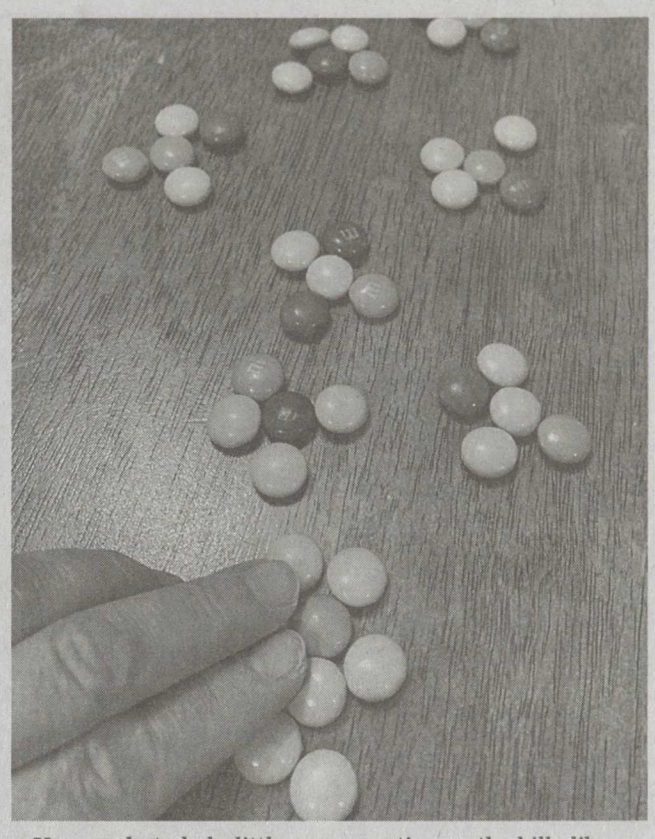
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Lifestyle

Don't stuff your face with all that Halloween candy yet

By HEATHER BURNS
News Correspondent





▲Use candy to help little ones practice math skills like skip counting, addition and subtraction.

◄Most Halloween candy will freeze well for later use like adding to your favorite baking recipes for an extra special treat.

(Heather Burns photos)

As the month of November begins, so does the inevitable end of the fall season. Trees that were bursting with bright autumn color just a few short weeks ago, are now brown and bare.

Happy jack-o-lantern faces that adorn every front step have started to rot, and the process of removing Halloween decorations is almost over.

The only lingering sign of Halloween left seems to be the enormous bowl of candy on your kitchen counter.

If your own trick or treaters are anything like mine, they have collected far more candy than they will ever eat, and they seem to lose interest in it by the 4th of November.

Even if you have no children of trick or treating age, you probably over estimated the amount of candy you would need to hand out, or perhaps you chose not to hand out candy because of the ongoing pandemic, but were still lured into buying one too many bags of candy while passing the Halloween display at the supermarket.

Regardless of how you have acquired all of that Halloween candy you still have in the house, there are better ways to rid yourself of leftover candy besides eating a handful of it every time you walk by the candy bowl.

To ween you and the family off of your Halloween sugar high, try making a healthy/sweet snack by mixing chocolate candies with granola, nuts, and dried fruits. Candies like M&Ms and Reese's Pieces work best, but any chocolate bar type candy can be chopped into smaller pieces and will mix well into a homemade trail mix.

Many do not realize that most candies freeze very well. Hard candies, gummies, caramels and chocolates will last up to one year in the freezer when properly stored in airtight containers. Freezing your leftover candy allows you to easily add an extra special treat to ice cream, cookie dough, cake batter or brownie mix all year long.

Before you put all the candy in the freezer, you may want to try an adult sampling. After the kids go to bed, try a little wine and candy pairing night.

This is a relaxing way to end the day for busy moms and dads and fun-sized Halloween candy is a great way to sample different flavors without eating too much candy.

Some recommended wine and candy pairings are Butterfingers with chardonnay or Sour Patch Kids with sauvignon blanc.

For chocolate lovers, milk chocolate goes well with merlot and Hershey's Special Dark chocolate pairs nicely with zinfandel.

Leftover Halloween candy can also help you plan ahead for the upcoming holiday season.

Many Halloween goodies can be used to decorate gingerbread houses and holiday cut-out cookies, or can be used to create holiday candy "bark." This easy to make treat is a great idea for last minute gift giving.

All you will need to create this festive confection is leftover Halloween candy of any kind, one-pound of bittersweet chocolate bits (melted), a half-pound of white chocolate bits(melted), and broken pretzels or nuts.

Before you begin, line a baking sheet with parchment paper and then pour melted bittersweet chocolate into the prepared pan.

Evenly sprinkle chopped Halloween candy over the melted chocolate. Try using Reese's, Butterfingers, Kit Kats, Peppermint Patties, Heath Bars or Crunch Bars. Most Halloween favorites will do.

For extra texture and flavor, add broken pretzels or nuts, lightly pressing them into the candy mixture. Refrigerate until set, about 30 minutes.

Drizzle melted white chocolate in zigzag fashion over the now firm chocolate, candy, pretzel mixture. Finish off the white chocolate drizzle with a sprinkling of M&Ms or Reese's Pieces that are pressed lightly into the white chocolate. Refrigerate for at least one hour, break into irregular pieces and place in a cellophane bag. Add a festive ribbon, you will have a delicious gift for friends and family.

If you feel like you have already eaten way too much Halloween candy, it is easy to get "crafty" with your leftover candy without actually consuming it.

Non-chocolate candy can easily be glued onto cardboard or poster board to make creative art works much like the macaroni art of your childhood.

Unleash your kid's imagination by having them build three dimensional figures using gummy candies and toothpicks. Use the candy as connectors for the toothpicks to build animals, buildings or even spaceships.

A fun, easy and educational art project for kids is to make your own finger paint using Starburst candy.

You will need 20 pieces of the same colored candy mixed with two cups of water and a half cup of cornstarch.

Separate the candy by colors and remove the wrappers. This can be a lesson within itself for little ones just learning colors, and wrapper removal is great practice for fine motor skills.

Adult supervision is required to melt the candy at medium heat. When the candy starts to melt, add water and cornstarch and whisk until smooth. Paint is done when it becomes smooth and thick. Remove from heat and cool, or place in an airtight container in the refrigerator for later use.

This "paint" will smell good, but taste terrible, so little ones won't be tempted to taste it more than once. Use just like store bought finger paint on paper or tin foil to make colorful and creative works of art.

Watercolor paint can also be easily made from Skittles candy. Separate candy by color and add corn syrup, stirring occasionally while candy transforms into a thick, glossy paint. This method takes a few hours to complete, but does not require the use of the stove.

We all know that candy is a bad choice for healthy teeth, but it can be a good choice for promoting a healthy brain. Not by eating it, but by counting it.

Smaller candies like M&Ms and Skittles can be helpful for younger students to practice basic math skills by grouping candies into piles of 5, 10, or 20 to practice skip counting and build the foundation for addition and subtraction skills. Candy also works well as a fun visual aid for children when solving mathematical word problems.

With Veteran's Day right around the corner, you may also want to teach a good life lesson to your children with the gift of a Halloween candy donation.

The Soldier's Angel's has a program called "Treats For Troops" which collects unwanted Halloween candy and then distributes the candy to deployed troops, veterans, and wounded veterans in VA hospitals.

Operation Gratitude also has sponsored a Halloween Give Back program since 2008, donating to military families and first responder heroes.

Donating to either of these organizations not only will teach a lesson in giving to others, but also about the great sacrifices our military families and first responders make for our country.

If you prefer to donate locally to people in need in the Merrimack Valley area, the Tewksbury Congregational Church is holding their annual candy collection for people served by the Lowell Transitional Living Center. This center provides shelter, showers, laundry, meals and financial counseling to individuals in transition from homelessness to housing.

This November, don't just add that leftover Halloween candy directly to your thighs, put it to good use with fun projects, freezing it for later use, or giving as a donation.

Your thighs have enough to worry about. After all, it is almost Christmas cookie season!

For more information on donating your leftover Halloween candy visit *www.soldiersangels.org* or *www.operationgratitude.com*

Rep. Nguyen receives Council of State Governments 20 under 40 leadership award

BOSTON — The Council of State Governments (CSG) is excited to announce its inaugural CSG 20 Under 40 Leadership Award recipients. After receiving applications from esteemed and accomplished public leaders from across the country, State Representative Tram T. Nguyen (D-Andover) was one of 20 outstanding leaders selected for this honor. Each of the 20 elected and appointed award winners represent hard work and a dedication to public service.

The CSG 20 Under 40 Leadership Award was created to recognize the outstanding work of up-and-coming elected and appointed officials — all under age 40 — from across the country who not only exemplify strong leadership skills but have also demonstrated a true commitment to serving the citizens of their state/territory.

"It is truly an honor to be nationally recognized for



▲NGUYEN (Courtesy photo)

my service to the Commonwealth and my steadfast dedication to lifting up the voices of the 18th Essex District on Beacon Hill," said Rep. Nguyen, adding, "I take immense pride in working every day with all of my colleagues to prioritize the health and safety of our residents and provide assistance where needed, especially to vulnerable communities, working families, and small businesses that are struggling right now because of COVID-19."

Recipients of this honor demonstrated the ability to engage officials across party, departments, branch and/or state lines in meaningful ways to advance the common good for their state or territory, provided exceptional leadership to a state project, committee, chamber, commission or special group and served as a champion of change, seeking to enhance the lives of all constituents within important policy areas.

"The state officials named to the inaugural class of The Council of State Governments 20 Under 40 Leadership Award recipients represent a broad cross section of the exceptional leaders that successfully govern our states," said David Adkins, CSG exec-utive director/CEO. "Those recognized this year come from diverse backgrounds, different political parties, different branches of state government and from every region of our country, but they share a singular commitment to make a difference for those they serve.

"The Council of State Governments is a nonpartisan organization that brings state officials together to learn from each other and to craft solutions to today's public policy challenges. The hard-working leaders recognized with the CSG 20 Under 40 Leadership Award have demonstrated the ability to productively collaborate to achieve consensus and produce results. While they may be young, their public service honors the oldest and best values of our democracy."

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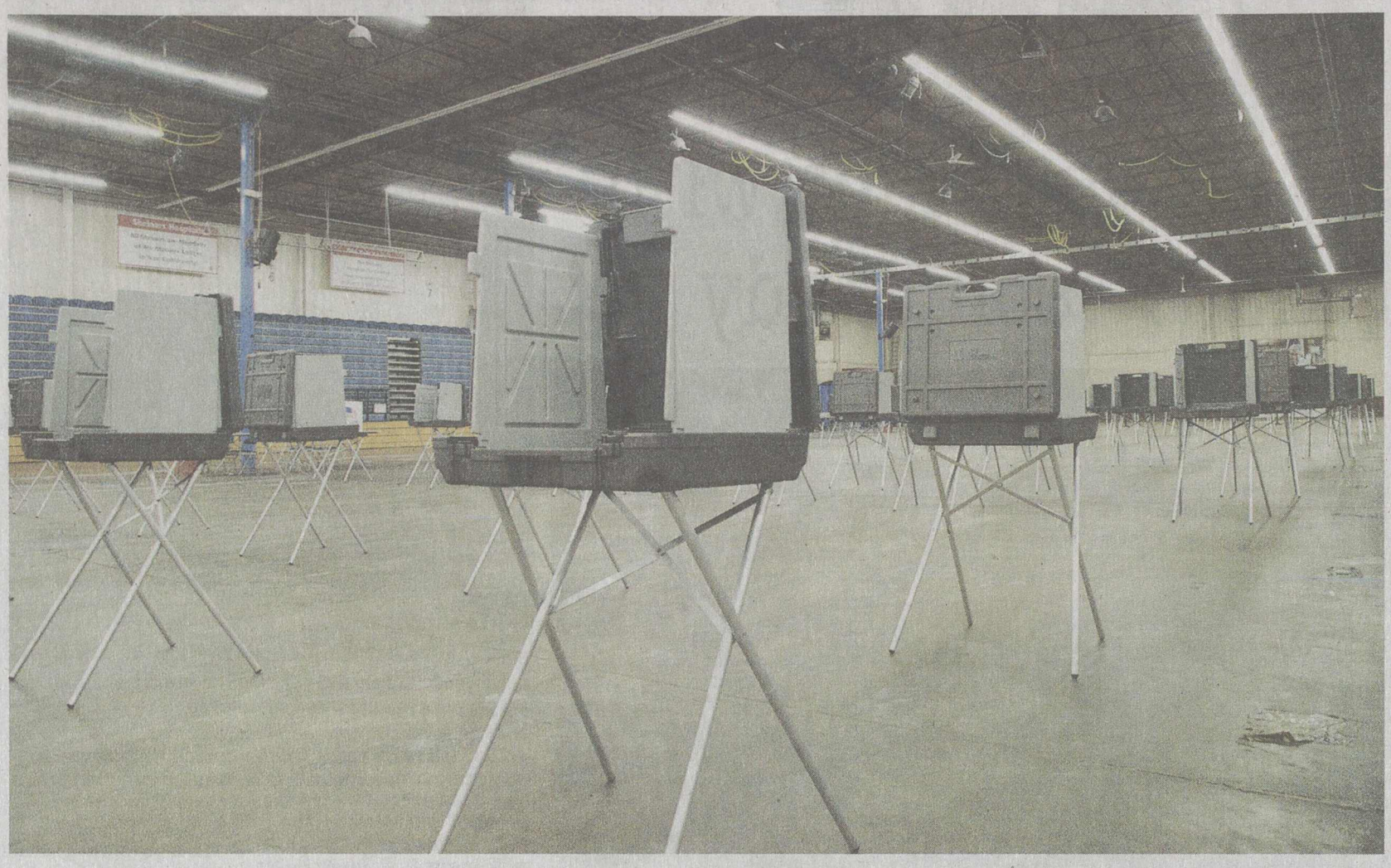
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Halloween Scenes

◄More than just frost on the Halloween pumpkins out in front of Elia's Country store.

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► Designs By Don was giving flowers as a special Halloween treat. From left are: Amanda Gagne, Megan Godding and Kat Strazzere from Designs by Don 388 Main St., in Wilmington.

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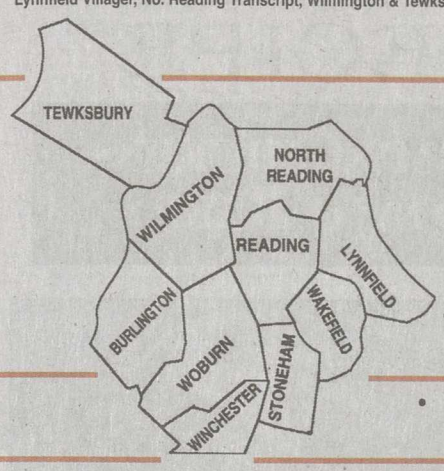


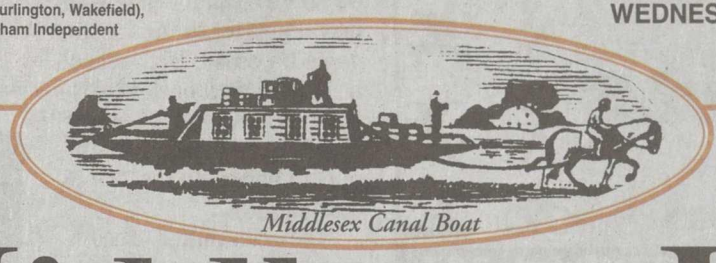
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Reading debates cell tower location as part of tank replacement

BY PAT BLAIS

Reading officials recently cited the controversy as a quite ironic example of a communications breakdown over a plan to maintain the community's physical communication networks.

Late last month, Reading's Select Board, after reviewing dozens of letters and getting quite the earful from frustrated citizens, ordered Town Manager Robert LeLacheur and other Town Hall managers to shelve plans to construct a new cell-tower nearby Reading's 63-year-old elevated water storage tank.

"We need to treat our neighbors and our citizens better than this," remarked Select Board member Karen Herrick at the conclusion of last month's meeting, an hours-long public hearing where angry abutters complained they were never consulted by town leaders about the construction plans.

Nonetheless, the town still has a big unsolved wireless communications problem involving at least three cell-phone service carriers, whom have paid some $1.3 million since 2010 to house their antenna arrays on the water tank.

Worse yet, until an alternative solution for the wireless equipment leases is identified, Town Engineer Ryan Percival and Department of Public Works (DPW) managers can't proceed with years-old plans to replace the 63-year-old tank, a pivotal component in Reading's gravity-fed water delivery system.

According to LeLacheur, he and Percival, who had hoped to break ground on the estimated $3 to $4.5 million tank replacement project next summer, have already explored a number of alternatives to the proposed cell-tower.

However, with major carriers like T-Mobile, AT&T, and Sprint all unwilling to construct a tower themselves and nixing a series of other options due to security or logistical concerns, Reading will ultimately be on the hook for erecting a temporary structure that will cost the same as a permanent one.

"It was expressed by every carrier who responded that there were no alternative sites that would replace the current water tank location," the town engineer wrote in a memo to the Select Board and the general public earlier this fall.

"The location of the tower, temporary or permanent, has to be coordinated with the construction of the water tank. The water tank installed needs a large enough area



A WATER TOWER REPLACEMENT IN READING has forced local officials to look at moving cell phone equipment and antennas.

lot lay down materials and assemble portions of the tank prior to hoisting it in any place," he and his staff added in their written response to a series of questions posed by residents.

According to Percival, the ultimate price-tag to the community will be somewhere between $250,000 to $500,000. If the structure is temporary, Reading will ultimately shoulder that burden over the approximate two-year period it takes to replace the water tank.

However, if keeping the structure, Reading could not only solve security concerns associated with placing the equipment on the new 750,000-to-1-million gallon tank, but also require telecommunications companies to foot the construction bill as part of new multi-year leases.

Based upon a 40 percent allocation of projected future lease revenues, the town officials estimate it would take roughly four-years to recoup the money for a permanent structure.

According to those revenue projections, Reading can also expect to generate anywhere from $95,000 to $110,00 a year in additional lease income to offset other budgetary needs in the community.

An eight-year planning process

Situated on a heavily wooded plot of municipal land in a quite residential neighborhood off of Route 28, the town's existing 750,000-gallon water tank currently feeds water to a substantial portion of Reading's citizenry.

As the 110-foot tall tank dates back to 1953, neighborhood residents have little issue with the town's proposal to replace the infrastructure with a new composite-elevated-tank (CET), a glass lined container that will be encased by steel.

However, according to area neighbors, adding a cell-tower to the site is a completely different story, as they believe the structure will drag down their property values.

"A structure of this size has no place in a densely populated neighborhood. I am extremely concerned about how this will affect the future resale value of my home as well," area resident Kathy Youngs told town officials in a letter in late October.

The public works project technically dates back to 2016, when LeLacheur was advised the existing 63-year-old water tank required some routine maintenance work like painting.

Aware the cell-phone equipment would need to be relocated under that scenario — and further concerned that the tank's preventative maintenance needs would become more frequent in the years ahead — the town manager asked for other options.

Town Hall managers responded by drafting plans for a replacement project, which would include the construction of either a temporary or permanent cell-tower to house the wireless antenna arrays.

The subject of a series of discussions before the Select Board, Town Meeting ultimately approved $500,000 in funding to erect the tower in April of 2018.

However, months later, the Select Board during a public hearing trashed those plans, and in Nov. of 2018, a subsequent Town Meeting assembly formally stripped the funding from the capital budget.

Heading back to the drawing board, Percival and water department officials emerged with a new plan to construct the CET tank structure, which would include

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Movie Reviews & Box Office News

Zemeckis makes Dahl's 'Witches' a brighter affair

By LINDSEY BAHR
AP Film Writer

If it didn't actually exist, "Holidate" would sound like one of those fake movies within a movie. A couple of attractive singles decide on a low-stakes, no-commitment arrangement to be each other's dates on holidays? It's a perfect rom-com concept in that it's equal parts ridiculous and shamefully appealing. Slot in some very pretty people (Emma Roberts and Luke Bracey), a drunken aunt (Kristen Chenoweth) some bawdy dialogue and a picturesque and unbelievably warm Chicago where it's possible to wear spaghetti straps at Easter and it practically makes itself. Unfortunately, like so many that have come before, it's pretty terrible too (and that's taking into account the rom-com curve).

"Holidate," available now on Netflix, is one of those extremely self-aware and cynical romantic comedies where the lead characters are neither romantics nor even particularly likeable. This garbage person love story can work under the right circumstances (see: "You're The Worst"), but that usually takes a sharp script to execute. This script by Tiffany Paulson, with insights like "chicks go mental at the holidays" and comedic asides along the lines of "excuse me, Crocodile Dundee," is not that. And simply being aware of rom-com cliches and having your characters discuss them is getting a little tired.

Roberts' Sloane is a chain-smoking, candy-scarfing waif who is meant to look slouchy and unkempt but always just looks like a gorgeous woman with perfect makeup who is simply wearing a hoodie. She had a bad breakup six months ago and now her little brother is engaged to a repressed stereotype and

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HOLIDAZE - This image released by Netflix shows Emma Roberts and Luke Bracey, right, in a scene from the Hallmark-inspired romantic comedy "Holidate." (Steve Dietl/Netflix via AP)

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• **MIDDLESEX EAST SPORTS WEEKLY TRIVIA:** Mookie Betts is a finalist for NL MVP this year. Betts won the AL MVP with the Red Sox in 2018. Prior to Betts, who was the last two Red Sox players to win MVP in the American League?

Answer appears below:

Reading is latest Middlesex League school to pause sports programs

Reading Superintendent of Schools John Doherty has cancelled "in person sports and extra-curricular activities" until Saturday, Nov. 14 due to six Grade 10 Reading Memorial High students having tested positive for COVID-19. Reportedly, those six are members of the girls soccer program at RMHS.

So Reading's upcoming home-and-home soccer and field hockey games with Lexington, that were scheduled for this Saturday, Nov. 7, and Veteran's Day, Wednesday, Nov. 11, have been cancelled. Cross country was to run against Lexington this Saturday and that is also off.

Reading, unfortunately, had this past weekend's games with Belmont cancelled due to weather. Those contests will not be rescheduled. Reading will face Arlington teams when it returns on Nov. 14.

The golf team has completed its schedule.

Woburn High cancelled its slate of games during the week of Oct. 12-17 due to cases to non-athletes at its high school. Unfortunately for Reading, those games in golf, cross country, boys and girls soccer and field hockey, were against it. Woburn did resume athletic events the following week.

Wakefield shut down its sports programs after Columbus Day (Oct. 12) as a precaution after the town of Wakefield was classified as "red" in that week's public health report. Sports, except for boys soccer, resumed Saturday, Oct. 24.

And just last week, Wilmington High puts its athletic programs on a two-week hold (Oct. 26-Nov. 9). That decision was made after an from incident on Friday night, Oct. 23, which involved 25-30 high school kids, that also included current student-athletes, involved in underage drinking as well as not following social distance guidelines.

Two adults from Wilmington were charged with purchasing alcohol for minors, while one girl at the party had to seek medical attention that evening due to alcohol consumption.

Indoor ice rinks set to reopen this Saturday (Nov. 7) after being closed due to COVID-19 outbreak

The state Department of Public Health ordered all indoor ice rinks to close for two weeks starting Friday, Oct. 23 due to multiple COVID-19 infections linked to youth hockey games and practices. College and pro teams are exempt from the order.

"There have been at least 30 clusters of COVID-19 associated with organized ice hockey activities involving residents from more than 60 municipalities in Massachusetts," Ann Scales, spokeswoman for the department, said in a statement.

There have been 108 confirmed cases tied to youth hockey. A week earlier, New Hampshire closed rinks for 14 days after 158 people associated with hockey tested positive in a two-month stretch. In Maine, hockey was suspended temporarily when a hockey ref might have exposed more than 400 people to the virus.

In Massachusetts, the two-week pause will allow for a reset in the development of stronger protocols to protect the players, coaches and parents while overall cases in the state continue to rise recently.

Youth hockey was allowed to return in late August with restrictions. Many rinks didn't allow family members inside to watch games. Temperature were taken upon arrival. But, according to reports, there have been inconsistencies in rink policies and protocols.

As of now, rinks will be allowed to reopen this Saturday, Nov. 7. However, depending on how the virus continues to trend, it could result in a lower delay to reopen.

Reading's Matt Mulvey commits to Swarthmore for college basketball

Reading resident MATT MULVEY, a 6-1 guard at Brooks School, recently committed to play college basketball at Swarthmore College in Pennsylvania for 2021-22. Swarthmore has been the winningest Division 3 men's basketball program in the country the last two years.

A year ago Swarthmore was the No. 1 team in the country in Division 3 and was 28-1 overall, reaching the D-3 Sweet 16 of the NCAA tournament before the COVID-19 pandemic shut down its season.

Mulvey averaged 11 points per game with 68 3-pointers as a junior for Brooks in 2019-20. Brooks went 24-3, winning the ISL championship, and finishing second to Canterbury in the NEPSAC Class B tournament. For his efforts, Mulvey received a Division 1 scholarship offer from UMass Lowell.

A big help in Mulvey's basketball exposure was playing AAU basketball for the Middlesex Magic.

Mulvey played parts of two seasons for Reading High. He was called up late in the season as a freshman and then was the starting point guard as a sophomore until he broke his arm in a game in mid-season.

High school basketball implementing some rule changes

The MIAA Basketball Committee met recently and proposed several new rules. However, the high school basketball season is still in question as of this time due to the pandemic.

The proposed rule changes include: the shot clock would reset to 15 seconds after a kicked or fisted ball if under 15 seconds when the infraction occurs, and not reset if at 15 seconds or more. The current rule resets to 30 seconds, which can penalize the defense, especially late in games, according to the proposal, which was recommended by a 15-1-1 vote. The shot clock has been implemented in the boys game in Massachusetts high school basketball since the 1995-96 season.

The next proposal was to "adjust the rule regarding five-second calls on closely guarded players in the front court." Currently, players holding or dribbling the ball can be whistled, while the new proposal would eliminate dribbling players from the rule. It passed by a 17-0 vote.

A third proposal would increase the amount of quarters per day a player is eligible to compete in from four to six. This rule was implemented in the Merrimack Valley Conference as a pilot program last year and received positive feedback. This allows JV players to play six quarters in a day which would help continue their development. If a JV player dressed for the varsity, he would have to sit out a quarter so he could be eligible to play a quarter in the varsity game if needed. High school basketball went back to playing quarters, after a number of years playing two 16-minute halves, in the 2007-08 season.

The committee recommended the proposal 17-0 and has asked the MIAA Board of Directors to consider allowing it to be used for the 2020-21 season.

The final basketball proposal would be a 10-second backcourt violation called in the girls' game and not just in the boys' game.The committee recommended it by a 16-1 vote.

Reportedly, this is just the first of a multi-step process for new rules proposals to be officially approved. The MIAA has the final say on June 1, 2021.

Travis Roy's passing affects local area players

Travis Roy died last Thursday (Oct. 29) at age 45 following complications from recent surgeries that were meant to improve his quality-of-life relating to his quadriplegia. He was 45.

Roy was known by area hockey standouts JAY PANDOLFO of Burlington and



CHRIS DYMENT of Reading. Pandolfo, who won two Stanley Cups with the New Jersey Devils, was the captain of the 1995-96 BU team that Roy played on before his devastating injury occurred on his first shift as a BU player on Oct. 20, 1995.

Dyment, while he played after Roy at BU from 1998-2002, had this to say on Facebook about Roy.

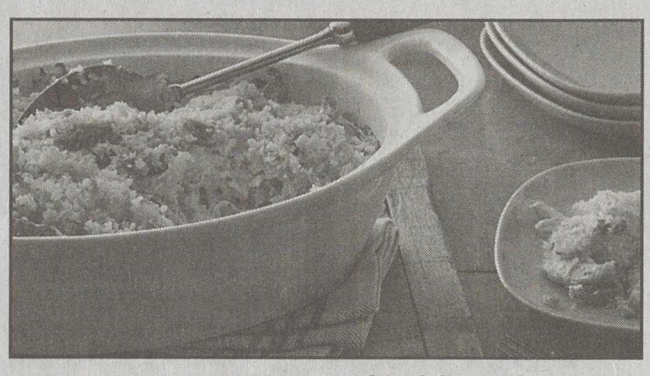
"An inspiration to all! You made such a positive impact on so many people... the world is better place because of you. RIP to one of the strongest people I've ever met."

Perhaps former BU coach Jack Parker said it best when he told the Boston Globe "(Roy) did more for people in 25 years in a wheelchair than if he'd been a 20-year NHLers.

Roy was an advocate beyond millions of dollars he helped raise for research related to spinal cord injuries. His enduring courage became an inspiration to all.

HomeNewsHere RECIPE

Creamy Chicken-Potato Bake



FESTIVE FALL FOWL - Try this deliciously creamy chicken, potato and green bean casserole. Your family will love it, and so will you!

STEPS

1. Heat oven to 375°F. Spray 2 1/2-quart baking dish with cooking spray. In large microwavable bowl, microwave cream cheese spread and milk uncovered on High 1 to 2 minutes, stirring halfway through, until mixture can be stirred to smooth consistency. Stir in salt and pepper.

2. Heat roasted red potatoes and green beans in bags in microwave on High 5 minutes. Add to cream cheese mixture, along with chicken.

3. In small bowl, mix bread crumbs and butter.

4. Spoon potato mixture into baking dish; top with bread crumb mixture. Bake 35 to 40 minutes or until bubbly and golden brown. Cool 5 minutes before serving.

EXPERT TIPS

If you don't have the bread crumbs, you can use your food processor to make fresh bread crumbs in seconds! Tear the bread into pieces, and place in food processor. Cover and process, pulsing 4 or 5 times, until coarse crumbs are formed.

Ingredients

1 container (8 oz) chive and onion cream cheese spread
1/2 cup milk
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon coarse ground black pepper
2 bags (12 oz each) frozen roasted red potatoes, green beans & rosemary butter sauce
2 cups shredded or cubed cooked chicken
1/2 cup Progresso™ plain panko crispy bread crumbs
3 tablespoons butter, melted

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four bay areas for wireless antenna arrays for four separate carriers.

Town Meeting appropriated $4.5 million for that undertaking in the spring of 2019, when citizens were told that telecommunications companies would be asked to foot the bill for a temporary tower during the two-year construction phase.

However, in June, LeLacheur and the town engineer found themselves back before the Select Board asking the elected officials to consider erecting a permanent cell-tower structure that will stand at least 160-feet in height and potentially as tall as 200-feet.

At the time, the Town Hall managers explained that the three existing leasees, fearful of neighborhood opposition and refusing to take on the cell-tower project themselves, had also insisted there was no other viable location in all of Reading to place the equipment.

The town met with the carriers to map out a plan to move forward. It was at this time they expressed concern over permitting and leasing as issues, based on recent experiences in other unspecified communities," reads a recent town narrative of the telecommunication industry's response. "It was expressed by every carrier who responded that there were no alternative sites that would replace the current water tank location."

With Reading's Select Board dramatically different in its composition — four of the five sitting members had not been part of the discussion about the cell-tower back in 2017 and 2018 — the elected officials agreed to consider the tower during a quiet June meeting.

However, once residents caught word that the cell-tower talk had been resuscitated, a public furor erupted. Those protests began growing quite vocal in late August and early September, when the Select Board in advance of a scheduled meeting acknowledged the receipt of no fewer than 48 written letters from furious abutters.

"I find it very appalling that I had to hear this news from my good neighbors and not the town itself... Two years ago, I needed a variance for 11-inches on a deck and had to send out 42 letters to the surrounding houses...The town manager/engineer is trying to install a 200 foot tower and I have received no letter," Bancroft Avenue resident Brian Anderson vented in one such letter to the Select Board this summer.

"This matter was addressed several years ago by the board, rejecting the siting of a cell tower next to the water tank. Common sense prevailed. The design of the new water tank incorporated placement of the cell antenna on it. This is not new," separately complained Beacon Street resident Jackie McCarthy in another message to the Select Board.

Auburn Street and Beacon Street residents, whose single-family homes are sandwiched in a dense neighborhood between Reading Memorial High School and Lowell Street, haven't let up since.

What happens next is up to the Select Board, who have instructed the town manager to return in December with a list of alternative solutions.

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her mother (Frances Fisher) won't stop pestering her about men and marriage. Bracey's Jackson, meanwhile, is a handsome Australian golf pro who just wants to sleep his way through the Windy City but also not be alone on holidays.

The "holidate" concept comes from Sloane's Aunt Susan (Chenoweth, giving a terrible role her all and not earning any laughs in the process) who brought a mall Santa home and seems happy with her life. When Sloane meets Jackson in the returns line where they compare their terrible Christmases, they decide to give it a shot for New Year's.

Sloane and Jackson keep up the arrangement for the year, accompanying one another to Easter, St. Patrick's Day (it is Chicago), the Fourth of July and so on, denying their burgeoning feelings for one another as they go. It wasn't a promising sign that I started checking my watch around Mother's Day, and the antics only get more absurd and exhausting. That director John Whitesell was able to stretch this out for more than 90 minutes is pretty incredible and he uses everything in his arsenal from a hospital visit to a cheating subplot with a minor character to fill the time.

The best thing that "Holidate" has going for it is that Roberts and Bracey do have great chemistry, but they just don't have a story or a script that can do it justice.

Roberts remains somewhat of a mystery as an actress. She has obvious charisma and talent that under the right circumstances can shine (see: "Nerve" and "Palo Alto") but she also seems to end up with an unfair share of duds like this and "Little Italy."

If you want a raunchy will-they-won't-they romcom in which two attractive people try to keep their relationship platonic, I'd suggest avoiding "Holidate" and watching Lesley Headland's "Sleeping With Other People" instead.

"Holidate," a Netflix release, is rated TV-MA. Running time: 103 minutes. One and a half stars out of four.

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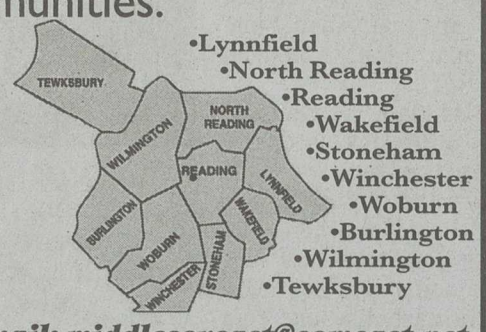
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2 Colleen Cir was sold to Ndreka, Ilirjan and Pjetri, Esmeralda by Borselli, Diana L for $555,000 on 10/14/20

7 Dover Dr #7 was sold to Alwreikat, Amer by Jhaveri, Chintan and Shah, Bina for $715,000 on 10/16/20

1 Eugene Rd was sold to Tetteh, Paul W and Temesgen, Haimanot B by Fazio, Joseph A and Fazio, Constance M for $675,000 on 10/16/20

24 Evelyn St was sold to Colliton, Robert H and Colliton, Andrea L by Nicoli FT and Nicoli, John C for $420,000 on 10/14/20

121 Francis Wyman Rd was sold to Prilutsky-Jaquez, Elona by 122 Francis Wyman Rd LLC for $630,000 on 10/14/20

39 Lantern Ln was sold to Stotik, Nicholas and Stotik, Alexandra by Gerra, Arun and Chaudhari, Kanchan for $605,000 on 10/15/20

4 Leopold St was sold to Manni, Jeffrey G by Patterson-Dangelo, Julie for $549,000 on 10/16/20

114 Lexington St was sold to Esposito, Brianna R by Douglass, Mari-Anne for $608,000 on 10/16/20

6 Tinkham Ave was sold to Ardeleanu, George and Repetto, Elizabeth by Amiralian, Donald T for $900,000 on 10/15/20

Westwood St was sold to Gerra, Arun and Chaudhari, Kanchan by 10 Patterson Street LLC for $1,246,500 on 10/15/20

154 Wilmington Rd was sold to Pierre-Charles, Chankham and Pierre-Charles, Daniel by Fuller, Benjamin L and Lappin, Michelle for $717,900 on 10/16/20

9 Wyman St was sold to Rollka, William J by Bizzarro, Janice for $262,500 on 10/15/20

NORTH READING

4 Alden St was sold to Bent, Ryan by Desiderio, Christy and Desiderio, Joseph C for $725,000 on 10/15/20

8 Allston Rd was sold to Morella, Alexander and Lutchen, Melissa by Pacy, Eric P and Pacy, Caleigh T for $650,000 on 10/13/20

15 Brassie Way #15 was sold to Legrow, Richard J and Legrow, Deborah E by Mulville, Daniel for $558,500 on 10/13/20

27 Burroughs Rd was sold to Bamberg-Obrien, Cori and Obrien, Timothy by Burroughts RT and Hinckley, Wayne E for $950,000 on 10/13/20

8 Central St was sold to Whitney, Allison and Czuchra, Benjamin by Brennan, Robert M and Brennan, Kathleen A for $887,500 on 10/16/20

5 Cogswell Rd was sold to Bythrow, Brittney J by Selfridge Joyce V Est and Bythrow, Kathleen M for $550,000 on 10/16/20

8 Fairway Rd was sold to Demonico IRT and Demonico, John P by Demonico, John P for $275,000 on 10/13/20

266 Haverhill St was sold to Petro, Mark A and Ivnitskaya, Renata by M P Riley Est Planning T and Riley, Marilyn P for $950,000 on 10/15/20

270 Haverhill St was sold to Arslan, Helena L and Arslan, Emrah by Hamdar, Dalal M and Hamdar, Jamal N for $840,000 on 10/13/20

24 Heritage Way was sold to Flaherty, Kevin P and Flaherty, Jill J by 24 Htge Way RT and Vontzalides, Nicholas P for $770,000 on 10/16/20

13 Leclair St was sold to Warnock, Kimberly A and Warnock, William L by Warnock, Kimberly A and Warnock, William L for $147,457 on 10/16/20

316 Main St was sold to Bythrow, Brittney J by Selfridge Joyce V Est and Bythrow, Kathleen M for $550,000 on 10/16/20

155 Marblehead St was sold to 155 Marblehead Street LLC by Stanley IRT and Stanley, Marlene A for $320,000 on 10/14/20

4 Mid Iron Dr #4 was sold to Verrengia, Alberta and Verrengia, John by Kowalski, John and Kowalski, Jennifer for $795,000 on 10/13/20

READING

11 Bunker Ave was sold to Binder, Matthew R and Kruegler, Morgan A by Nova Homebuilders Inc for $1,175,000 on 10/15/20

328 Charles St was sold to Janes, Christopher P and Janes, Rachel A by Sinclair, Michael and Sinclair, Pamela for $960,000 on 10/15/20

295 Franklin St was sold to Raneri, Danielle and Raneri, Joseph by Rainville, Robert W and Rainville, Julie T for $680,000 on 10/13/20

22 Garrett Rd was sold to Blodgett, Cory R and Jacobs, Julieanne by J Thomas Parr T 2009 and Parr, Mary M for $867,500 on 10/13/20

34 Highland St was sold to Leclerc, Westley and Treseler, Christine by CA LLC for $700,000 on 10/16/20

32 Intervale Ter was sold to White, Michael and Mccormick, Heather by Bassermann, Patrick and Bassermann, Ileana for $685,000 on 10/16/20

34 Kurchian Ln was sold to Zoia, Zachary and Zoia, Andrea by Weinreb 2019 T and Weinreb, Wayne H for $865,000 on 10/14/20

52 Sanborn St #208 was sold to Gilmore, Ellen M by Wilson, Jayne B and Clugston, Gregory J for $575,000 on 10/13/20

STONEHAM

4 Christine Ave was sold to Rai, Pravin and Rai, Pratiksha by Barlow, Jeanine M and Barlow, Scott J for $822,500 on 10/15/20

21 Emerson St was sold to Newmay LLC by 21 Emerson Street LLC for $675,000 on 10/15/20

50 Franklin St was sold to Newmay LLC by 21 Emerson Street LLC for $675,000 on 10/15/20

100 Ledgewood Dr #118 was sold to Woods, Francis J by Cosentno Lucy J Est and Broderick, Kimberly A for $375,000 on 10/13/20

40 Main St #205 was sold to Hibert, Matthew L by Janedy, Ryan T and Porter, Amberlynn Q for $319,000 on 10/16/20

11 Pebble Pl was sold to Omelia, Michael and Omelia, Noreen by Nicholson, Donald J and Nicholson, Sandra L for $650,000 on 10/16/20

TEWKSBURY

2 Amos St was sold to Dealy, Alexa by Spirn, Jonathan and Leblanc, Christine for $369,000 on 10/13/20

6 Babicz Rd was sold to Towne, Carolyn A and Towne, Daniel K by Mortimer, Kathleen A for $515,000 on 10/15/20

767 Chandler St was sold to Solemina, David J and Solemina, Lisa M by Bigley RET and Bigley, Cynthia E for $600,000 on 10/14/20

76 Elm St was sold to Hayes, John J and Hayes, Gioia by Maureen J Currier T and Currier, Maureen J for $407,000 on 10/16/20

29 Emerald Ct #29 was sold to Teich, Melodie P and Teich, Howard I by Sullivan, Richard L and Sullivan, Donna M for $587,500 on 10/15/20

45 Harvest Ln was sold to Vanella, David and Vanella, Krystle C by Javaid, Aisha and Ejaz, Umair for $825,000 on 10/16/20

50 Kent St was sold to Giasullo, Jeffrey by Giasullo, Jeffrey and Giasullo, Karen for $500,000 on 10/16/20

6 Knollwood Rd was sold to Shinnick, Caitlin and Flores-Arroyave, Alejandr by Mannetta, Richard R and Mannetta, Deborah R for $555,000 on 10/13/20

11 Mcevoy Rd was sold to Gibbons, Stephen by Nushi, Armando for $460,000 on 10/15/20

39 Park Ave was sold to Donohue, Christopher by Cahill, David for $550,000 on 10/15/20

47 Patrick Rd #47 was sold to Reynolds, William by Staude, Nichole and Staude, Jay for $347,000 on 10/15/20

10 Pinewood Rd was sold to Kessler, Audrey J and Kessler, Dylan L by Perin, Ashley M and Bowen, Edward J for $456,000 on 10/16/20

WAKEFIELD

4 Alyssa Dr was sold to Mirasolo, Brian and Jamieson, Sheila by Faro, Richard J and Faro, Kristen M for $910,000 on 10/13/20

7 Ballister St #432 was sold to Tulic, Izedin and Tulic, Arna by Reyza-Yawoga, Sunshia and Novia, Irene for $559,500 on 10/15/20

2 Dellanno Ln was sold to Laroche, Brandon and Laroche, Laurel by Dellanno, Patricia A for $845,000 on 10/15/20

94 Elm St was sold to Hanlon, Martha M and Mangini, Albert by Jarvis, Katelynn M and Jarvis, Patrick J for $755,000 on 10/13/20

17 Farm St was sold to Cutulle, Lisa and Cutulle, Pamelia by Roberto, John and Roberto, Carey A for $640,000 on 10/16/20

23 Farm St was sold to Lavigne, Sharada D and Lavigne, William by Bobadilla, Jillian and Bobadilla, Leonarda for $910,000 on 10/16/20

9 Fitch Ct #A was sold to Kransz, Nicholas and Kransz, Nicole by Ross, Aaron and Trueheart, Dina for $655,000 on 10/15/20

31 Lawrence St was sold to Dademo, Daniel and Dademo, Christina by Hurton, Thomas G and Hurton, Linda J for $678,000 on 10/15/20

104 Myrtle Ave was sold to Edmondson, Graham and Williams-Edmondson, Ameli by Macdonald, James L and Macdonald, Betteanne D for $506,000 on 10/13/20

WILMINGTON

28 Burlington Ave #3 was sold to Brenlley Properties LLC by Tayts, Alexandra for $238,000 on 10/14/20

8 Clorinda Rd was sold to Crampton, Steven D and Crampton, Valeri D by Contrada Steven J Est and Case, Lauren C for $570,000 on 10/15/20

10 Fairmeadow Rd was sold to Sorel, Ashley J and Griffith, Joshua W by Caira, Brian J and Cremone-Caira, Amanda M for $507,000 on 10/15/20

11 Quail Run Rd was sold to Michaud, Zachary and Michaud, Michael by Anderson, Peter W and Anderson, Pamela J for $590,000 on 10/15/20

WINCHESTER

2 Fernway Ter was sold to Martignetti, John P and Martignetti, Simona B by Gibson, Craig and Gibson, Nancy for $1,900,000 on 10/14/20

11 Gershon Way #11 was sold to Bernstein, Daniel J by Bek Winchestr Winning for $1,450,000 on 10/16/20

23 Johnson Rd was sold to White Cove Properties LLC by Lee, Konrad and Daly, Erin M for $710,000 on 10/16/20

4 Prince Ave was sold to Whitney-Nguyen, Janelle and Nguyen, Nam by Lehn, Jean-Sebastian and Gao, Lan for $965,000 on 10/14/20

171 Swanton St #41 was sold to Zhang, Fang and Zhao, Qiuchen by Goldshmid, Liliya and Philpchuk, Denis for $625,000 on 10/15/20

7 Wainwright Rd #44 was sold to J I&E S Sawicki RET and Sawicki, Janusz I by Shapiro, Steven R and Shribman, Robin M for $990,000 on 10/15/20

WOBURN

16 Allen St #B was sold to Shrestha, Sanjay and Kc, Reeta S by Mccolm, Donald G and Mccolm, Nancy for $564,999 on 10/13/20

33 Anna Rd was sold to Keane, Korey M and Keane, Gabrielle E by Hamilton, Stephen R and Mylander, Suzanne for $525,000 on 10/14/20

6 Carter St was sold to Wingate, Patricia and Wingate, Joshua K by Lewis, Edward J for $480,000 on 10/16/20

31 Chester Ave was sold to 1 Chester Avenue IRT and Solari, Serafina by Vanella, David for $761,000 on 10/15/20

3 Flint Cir was sold to Machado, James A by Machado Margaret M Est and Doe, Karen F for $541,500 on 10/15/20

8 Grove St was sold to Hurley, Mark and Hurley, Emily by Papalia, Matthew C and Papalia, Maura H for $550,000 on 10/15/20

3 Hawk Rd was sold to Elio, Daniel S and Elio, Patricia A by A&Donna Dusablon FT and Dusablon, Arnold P for $600,000 on 10/16/20

1 Ingalls St was sold to Mekos, Alexander and Mekos, Victoria by Nee, John G and Nee, Susan L for $601,000 on 10/15/20

12 Karen Rd was sold to Hankour, Emir and Bouabdellah, Nabila by Doherty, Karen A and Oberle, Dianne A for $511,000 on 10/16/20

357 Lexington St was sold to Lexington Street RT and Leblanc, Deborah by Lane, Maureen S for $395,000 on 10/13/20

8 Micro Dr was sold to Sullivan 19715 Parking T and Exchange Authority LLC Tr by Gymnastics Realty LLC for $3,300,000 on 10/15/20

24 Mountain St was sold to Mcalduff, William H and Mcalduff, Elizabeth L by Amato, Nicholas C and Amato, Erin L for $629,000 on 10/16/20

12 Murray Rd was sold to Papalia, Matthew and Papalia, Marua by Longo RET and Longo, Joseph J for $849,900 on 10/16/20

LYNNFIELD

2 Durham Dr was sold to Fleming, Joseph and Fleming, Debra A by 2 Durham Drive RT and Szycher, Laurie for $950,000 on 10/16/20

8 Longbow Rd was sold to Tham, Kok and Yap, Yuen M by Gardner, Rebecca A for $750,000 on 10/14/20



Baker-Polito Administration announces partnerships for recovery, $774M economic recovery plan

BOSTON — The Baker-Polito Administration announced a $774 million comprehensive plan to stabilize and grow the Massachusetts economy. The plan focuses on getting people back to work, supporting small businesses, fostering innovation, revitalizing downtowns and ensuring housing stability. Partnerships for Recovery begins by directing $115 million in new funding to small businesses and Main Streets hardest hit by the COVID-19 pandemic and for workforce training efforts.

Additionally, the Administration is aligning multiple funding sources, both existing and proposed, to appropriately respond to the crisis.

Partnerships for Recovery supports five key recovery efforts:

- Getting Massachusetts back to work
- Supporting small businesses
- Revitalizing downtowns
- Supporting housing equity and stability
- Fostering innovation

Governor Charlie Baker, Lt. Governor Karyn Polito, Housing and Economic Development Secretary Mike Kennealy, Labor and Workforce Secretary Rosalin Acosta, and Administration and Finance Secretary Michael J. Heffernan joined Joe Kriesberg, President and CEO of the Massachusetts Association of Community Development Corporations to announce the plan at the Gardner Auditorium.

"This plan represents a comprehensive strategy to get people back to work and to support the small businesses hit the hardest by the pandemic, putting the Commonwealth on a path to recovery," said Governor Charlie Baker. "By leveraging existing tools and programs and implementing new ones this plan will allow us to make critical resources and assistance to those who need it most available now."

"While we continue to combat this pandemic, this plan takes an approach that addresses key needs of the businesses in downtowns and main streets, provides housing support for vulnerable families, and opens new doors for people seeking to return to work," said Lt. Governor Karyn Polito. "While we acknowledge we still have a ways to go, this plan will help to jumpstart our innovation economy and position Massachusetts to be on a path for success."

- Putting $115 million to work right away for small businesses and workforce training, including more than $25 million to get people back to work;
- Directing $323 million in existing capital programs as part of the response to continue doing more of what works;
- Filing for $122 million through the Revised H.2 budget to supplement existing funding in support of struggling Main Street businesses and skill building for residents;
- Steering $43 million in Federal, trust and other state funding toward our most critical needs; and
- Committing $171 million to keep people safely housed during the pandemic.

Getting People Back to Work

In order to get people back to work, new investments are being made to build workforce skills, growing training programs and pathways, forging new partnerships between employers and workers, and supporting internet connectivity to facilitate remote work and online career advancement. The more than $25 million available now includes:

- $10.4 million to engage Massachusetts employers by expanding workforce partnerships with large employers in target sectors to create aligned statewide training-employment pathways;
- $9.2 million to subsidize internet for low-income populations, and to expand hot spots in unserved and underserved communities;
- $3.2 million to modernize MassHire virtual pathways to assess and connect UI claimants to appropriate services and supports;
- $2 million to bolster manufacturing training by purchasing a standardized virtual training program to increase workforce for the manufacturing sector; and
- $300,000 to supplement $8.4 million toward Career Technical Institutes in H.2 to help close the skills gap for skilled technician jobs and align training to industry needs.

An additional $54 million is available to support workforce recovery efforts through existing programming such as the Skills Capital Grants program, the Workforce Competitiveness Trust Fund, and the Workforce Training Trust Fund.

Revised House 2 also proposes $17.9 million in workforce funding, including $8.4 million in funding to transform vocational high schools into Career Technical Institutes running three shifts per day. This initiative is designed to train 20,000 new workers over four years in skilled trades and technical fields including plumbing, HVAC, manufacturing, and robotics. This will consist of a combination of enrolling more high school students in high-impact vocational trade programs and expanding capacity for adults to earn industry-based credentials, aligned to apprenticeships and post-secondary degrees.

"These funds will provide critical re-employment services to our workforce, helping people make the transition from unemployment benefits to good paying jobs in some of the Commonwealth's key long term job growth sectors," said Secretary of Labor and Workforce Development Rosalin Acosta.

Direct Support to Small Business and Main Street

To generate economic growth amidst the COVID-19 pandemic and support Main Streets across Massachusetts, the Administration is investing $322.8 million in direct support of small and diverse businesses and local communities. This funding includes grants (see details below) to the hardest hit small businesses, especially small businesses owned by women, minorities, veterans, or members of other underrepresented groups.

These grant awards will allow small businesses to cover expenses such as rent, payroll, and utilities as they get back on their feet. Additional funding will support small businesses through hands-on and personalized technical assistance, including targeted support for women- and minority-owned businesses around digital and online technology as their business model pivots away from a brick-and-mortar location.

Many communities have seen their Main Streets and downtown districts hit particularly hard by the pandemic, and new funding aims to help cities and towns plan for short-term innovations and long-term recovery. A new $10 million round of the Shared Streets and Spaces Grant Program will continue to help cities and towns quickly implement or expand improvements to sidewalks, curbs, streets, on-street parking spaces and off-street parking lots in support of public health, safe mobility, and renewed commerce in their communities.

Separately, local recovery planning grants will soon be available to cities and towns to assist with long-term planning for their business districts. A total of $10 million is available for this program.

To support the museums and other cultural facilities that have faced a particularly challenging reality this year, but remain a cornerstone of what Massachusetts offers to visitors, these institutions will be eligible for $10 million in Cultural Facilities Operating Grants. This funding will help these organizations to make safety improvements and other upgrades to allow them to continue to offer their unique attractions and exhibits.

As part of this recovery plan, the Governor's recently filed revised budget proposal recommends over $100 million in additional funding for economic recovery and development efforts, including $35 million for community development financial institutions (CDFI) grants and loans, and $15 million for matching grants for capital investments by businesses with 20 or fewer employees.

Additionally, more than $115 million in existing capital through programs such as MassWorks, and those in the MassDevelopment portfolio (Brownfields Redevelopment Fund, Site Readiness Program, Transformative Development Initiative, and Collaborative Workspaces), will be leveraged in support of economic recovery. This recovery plan complements the Administration's $275 million economic recovery package, which was announced in June.

Small Business and Main Street Highlights (new funding):

- $50.8 million in Small Business Grants to help the hardest hit businesses;
- $10 million to continue funding the Shared Streets and Spaces Program;
- $10 million for local recovery planning grants to support cities and towns;
- $10 million to support cultural facilities such as museums;
- $8.3 million in small business technical assistance to help businesses access grant programs and loans, as well as help build business management skills, resilience, and other support in navigating pandemic impacts;
- Including $2.3 million to provide personalized technical assistance to woman- and minority-owned businesses;

"Our current circumstances call for a plan with the size and scope to match the urgency we need to address the most pressing challenges we now face," said Secretary of Housing and Economic Development Mike Kennealy. "By targeting vital resources toward these key areas, this strategy will allow us to lay a solid foundation for our path to recovery."

"During this unprecedented public health emergency, the Baker-Polito Administration is continuing to invest significant resources to support recovery and growth initiatives for small businesses and Main Streets across Massachusetts," said Secretary of Administration and Finance Michael J. Heffernan. "Through close coordination with federal, state, and local partners — including our Legislative colleagues — we are proud to put forth a plan that thoughtfully invests funds from multiple sources to equip employers with the tools, resources, and supports to help navigate the new COVID-19 landscape."

"We greatly appreciate Governor Baker's sense of urgency to move these grant dollars now, while also working with the Legislature to secure additional funds in the state budget and the economic development bill," said Joseph Kriesberg, President of the Massachusetts Association of Community Development Corporations and Board Member of the Massachusetts Growth Capital Corporation. "Small business owners have sacrificed to help keep all of us safe and healthy. This initiative is our opportunity to have their back."

Additional Investments

In order to keep people safely in their homes during the pandemic and support small landlords with expenses, the Administration recently announced $171 million in support of the Eviction Diversion Initiative. This comprehensive strategy includes funding to help to cover housing costs such as rent and mortgage payments, invest in new programs around mediation and legal representation, and provide repaid rehousing when a tenant is evicted. Additionally, the Administration continues to invest in the Commonwealth's stock of affordable rental housing with $121 million in direct subsidies.

Massachusetts has long been a hotbed of innovation and creativity in science and technology, and sectors such as the life sciences and advanced manufacturing are not only critical to the innovation economy, but also continue to contribute to the response to the coronavirus. To ensure we continue to lead in this space, $62 million in existing capital funding through the Massachusetts Life Sciences Center, the Massachusetts Technology Collaborative, and Mass Ventures is available to support recovery and growth.

Small Business Grant Program Details

Massachusetts Growth Capital Corporation (MGCC) is administering the Small Business Grants program, with $50.8 million available beginning today. Grant awards range between $25,000 — $75,000, and eligibility criteria and applications are available here.

As part of this grant program, preference is given to small businesses whose owners are women, minorities, veterans, members of other underrepresented groups, or focused on serving the Gateway Cities of Massachusetts, who have been unable to open and those most adversely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Preference is also given to applicants that have not been able to receive aid from other federal programs, including PPP and other relief related to COVID-19.

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Forty Year Anniversary of 1980 WHS Field Hockey team

Lots of goals, many wins and countless laughs

The Town Crier started a new series, republishing or writing stories on WHS Fall Athletic teams – minus football – that won championships or enjoyed deep state tournament runs. Last week, the 2000 WHS Golf team was featured and this week it's the 1980 Field Hockey team which lost in the North Finals (no divisions back then).

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WILMINGTON – Before 1980, the Wilmington High School Field Hockey team enjoyed tremendous success from 1970-'79 with five Merrimack Valley Conference Championship titles (six first place finishes) and four state tournament appearances (no tourney in 1971).

Then came the 1980 season – arguably the best team in program history, and certainly as coach Jan Cassidy Wood says, the "most fun team she's ever had."

Only four WHS Field Hockey teams – just one by Cassidy-Wood's teams -- are enshrined in the Hall of Fame, collectively the 1935-37 teams were inducted as one group and then the '80 team. Blessed with tremendous talent led by Olympian Megan Donnelly, as well as fellow Hall of Famer Paula Burns, and a "cast of characters", who certainly could all play, the Wildcats finished 15-1-1 that season. The magical season included a 3-1 mark in the state tournament, losing in the North Sectional Finals (no divisions back then) to Weston, 2-0.

"It was the most fun season although it's hard to explain," said Cassidy-Wood, who compiled a record of 190-29-35 from 1970 to 1988 and an overall record of 233-43-52 with 10 league titles. "It was also the most unexpected results. We were unbeaten at 12-0-1, they played three or four games in the state tournament and ended up losing to Weston in the North Finals. I remember it was on November 11th the (Veterans Day) Holiday, so it was one of the first times that all of the parents could come and see the girls play. It was quite a thrill.

"That was probably the most fun team that I ever had. They were crazy. There were only five seniors and I think four of them were starters."

Certainly the juniors on this team had a lot of talent between Donnelly, Burns, Karen Evans, Kathy Schultz and MaryBeth Gentile, but the senior class really were instrumental in making the team bond off the field, as well as play so well together on it.



Forty years ago, in the fall of 1980, these three seniors, from left, Sharon Zwicker, Janelle Fitch and Marianne Campbell, or AKA, 'FUN Personified,' helped lead the WHS Field Hockey team to a 15-1-1 record, the Merrimack Valley Conference Championship and to the North Sectional Finals. This team is enshrined in the WHS Hall of Fame. (courtesy photo).

"The captain was Sharon Zwicker. She was our sweeper and unlike other teams who would usually have that big back with the big drive, she was this little wiry thing, but boy was she good," said Cassidy-Wood. "She did this thing that I had never seen before nor have I seen it since – she could air dribble. She could take the ball on the stick and bounce it off of it a couple of times without it touching the ground, but it also had to be legal, keeping the stick below the waist and the ball never came up over her waist. She just had incredible skill. She was really good at that and she was the captain.

"Her two best buddies were Janelle Fitch and MaryAnn Campbell and they were three of the seniors and I considered them the Three Stooges combined with the Three Musketeers. They were crazy funny and just always got the rest of the team going. Then we had Lisa Madden who was another senior and her sanity helped keep the team together. She was just a bright, sensible young lady so she had to

FIELD HOCKEY B10W

Shawsheen Tech's Gymnasium to be named after Coach Mark Donovan

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BILLERICA – When you have coached a team to nearly 550 career victories, with at least half of them coming in the same gym, it is pretty fair to say that you have permanently stamped your name on that venue. That has certainly been the case for long time Shawsheen Tech Wrestling coach Mark Donovan, who for the better part of three decades has made the Shawsheen High Gym a house of horrors for Rams opponents.

There is little doubt that Donovan has at least symbolically etched his name into the history of the gym with his tremendous accomplishments as coach of the Rams, and at a recent Shawsheen Tech School Committee meeting, the committee members unanimously voted to make it official, as the Shawsheen gym will be renamed in Donovan's honor.

Assuming there is a high school wrestling season this winter, Donovan will be entering his 37th season at the helm of the Rams and he has left an indelible mark not just with his outstanding won-loss record, but also with the impact he has made on the lives of countless students.

Charlie Lyons, who served as Superintendent of Schools for Shawsheen from 1987 to 2015, could not have been happier to learn of the honor being bestowed upon Donovan. He also took a little pride in knowing that he played a role in bringing Donovan, a 1986 Tewksbury High graduate, on board with Shawsheen as just a 19-year old at the start if his career.

"I actually hired Mark as coach back in 1987. It was one of the first things I did as superintendent," Lyons recalled. "I think he has had more victories in that gym than all of the other coaches combined. He has had just an incredible career. He took a Division 2 or 3 program and turned it into one of the best Division 1 programs in the state. And more importantly, he turned so many kids into young men of perseverance, who were not only successful as wrestlers, but went on to be productive in life."

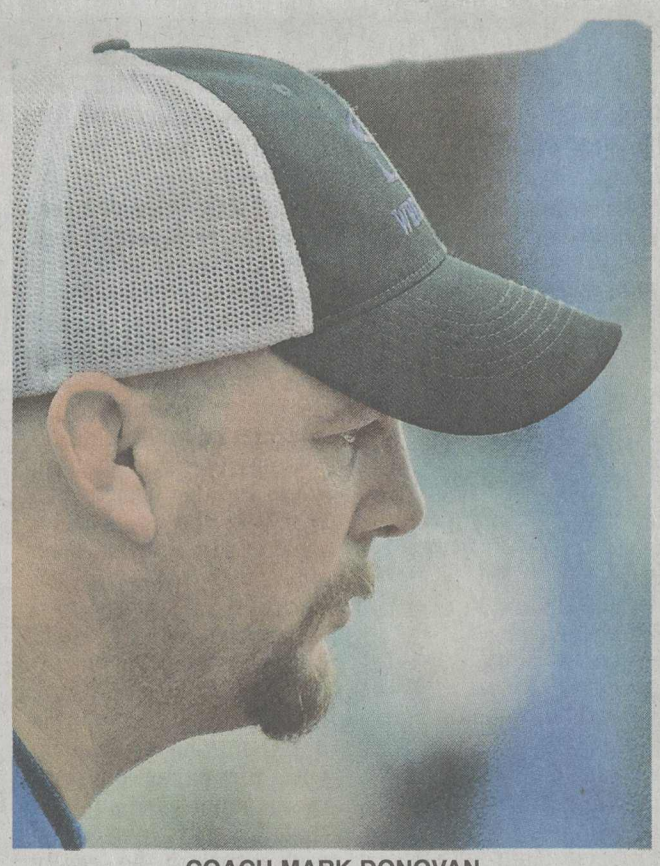
It might be impossible to check the math on Lyons statement about Donovan having more wins in the gym than all other coaches combined, but it is very likely true.

In addition to his nearly 550 victories, he has also led the Rams to 25 Commonwealth Athletic Conference championships, including the last 12 in a row, to go along with 19 state vocational titles. Donovan has also coached 49 Division 1 North individual champions, 13 Massachusetts Division 1 champions, eight All-State champions, four New England champions and a three-time National High School All-American.

The Tewksbury native is also a two-time Hall of Famer, being elected to the Massachusetts Wrestling Hall of Fame in 2009, and being inducted into the National Wrestling Hall of Fame in 2014.

Donovan has earned the respect of coaches and athletes throughout the state and the country for that matter, including Shawsheen athletic director and head football coach Al Costabile, who had Donovan as a member of his football coaching staff ever since he arrived at Shawsheen 23 years ago. Costabile has seen Donovan's impact on young athletes over the years, and agreed wholeheartedly with the committee's decision.

"It is so fitting and appropriate that the Shawsheen gymnasium is named after Mark. He has influenced and molded the lives of so many people in so many ways. He is a unique person that has done so much for so many in a truly staggering fashion," Costabile said. "When I first met him 23 years ago, I knew I met someone special from day one. He epitomizes the meaning of what a coach is and should be. I am so proud of this tribute that is honoring such a great person and coach."



COACH MARK DONOVAN

Costabile and Lyons thoughts are shared by every member of the Shawsheen School Committee, who voted unanimously to rename the gym. Committee member Ron Fusco, a former teacher at Shawsheen and long time friend of Donovan, brought the motion forward and it took no time at all for all other members to approve.

Committee member Bob Peterson of Wilmington was more than happy to vote in favor of the renaming.

"I can't think of a better honor for a better guy. I can't think of anyone, other than Charlie Lyons, who epitomizes what Shawsheen Tech is all about better than Mark Donovan," Peterson said. "I don't think there should have, could have or would have been anything but approval of this honor. Kudos to Ron Fusco for bringing this forward. He knows Mark better than anyone and he knows what he has meant to Shawsheen and what he has meant to so many students at Shawsheen."

Peterson also says that Donovan deserves a great deal of credit for coaching each athlete to reach their maximum potential.

"I can say without reservation that he loved those kids and treated them as if they were his own. I have played a lot of sports in my life and I don't think there is a harder sport to compete in than wrestling, and he consistently got the best out of all of his kids. He was not only a coach to these kids, but he was a mentor as well."

As for the man who brought the motion forward, Fusco says the honor was a long time coming for Donovan. Fusco, a retired Shawsheen Tech Biology teacher, taught at Shawsheen Tech for 30 years before retiring in 2017, was appointed to the school committee in 2019. Getting the gym renamed in Donovan's honor was a labor love for him.

In presenting his idea to the committee members, Fusco told them "I think it altogether fitting that this committee, on behalf of the district, honor coach Donovan by attaching his name to the space that has forever captured decades of memories for these generations of athletes, their parents, and—for many now—their children."

Now that it has been decided, Fusco is thrilled to see his friend and former colleague receive the recognition he deserves. In addition to his personal relationship with Donovan, Fusco has also seen first hand the impact Donovan has had on young athletes, as one of his sons, Joe Fusco, was Division 1 and All-State champion for the Rams in 2016, while his other son, Ron Jr. was an assistant on Donovan's staff for several years.

"I have known Mark since 1988 and have gotten to know him very well over the years while working with him and also because of my sons. I have admired him for years. He has helped so many students at Shawsheen Tech," Fusco said. "His success has been amazing with the league titles and everything else, but also with how many kids have gone on to have great success after leaving Shawsheen."

Recently Donovan has had to fight through a tougher opponent than any he had ever faced on the mat, as in June he was diagnosed with Stage 4 Cholangiocarcinoma, or bile duct cancer. It has been the battle of his life for Donovan, who has approached his treatments with the same determination he has taught his wrestlers to have in their matches.

But Donovan's current condition did not play a part in Fusco's push to get Donovan's name on the gym where he had so much success.

"We are all pulling for Mark, but this has nothing to do with what is going on in his personal life. This is something we have wanted to do for a long time, and it is a very well deserved honor for Mark," Fusco said. "I am very proud to be part of naming the gym the Coach Mark Donovan Gymnasium. I was given the idea by my sons and got further help from Dr. Robert Kanellas and Coach Doug Pratt. Mark has given tirelessly to Shawsheen for years."

Lyons, who knows a little something about being honored at Shawsheen Tech, having had the school's new athletic complex named in his honor in 2016, is thrilled to have Donovan's name join his as part of the Shawsheen athletic facilities.

And while kudos and good luck wishes have poured in for Donovan since his cancer diagnosis, Lyons says it is all a reflection of the number of lives that Donovan has touched during his career.

"The world is pulling for him right now, because he has always pulled for the world. He always gave his best for everybody, which is why everybody is giving him their best right now," Lyons said. "In my judgment, Mark epitomizes what vocational education and especially what Shawsheen Tech is all about, and particularly what Shawsheen Tech is all about. He also epitomizes what hard work and dedication are all about. Nothing pleases me more than to see him receiving the recognition he deserves."

One Special Family: Rich, Jean, Kevin, Kathy, Maureen, Laurie and Kristine

The Athletic Tree kept growing with the Robinsons



The Robinson Family, which includes seven children, are known as one of well-known athletic families from Wilmington. The seven include from left, Kevin, Jean, Maureen, Kathy, Rich, Laurie and Kristine. (courtesy photo).



Dick Robinson, left, posed with his five daughters, from left, Kristine, Laurie, Jean, Maureen and Kathy, before he passed in 2004. (courtesy photo).

The Town Crier's popular series 'Where Are They Now' returns with a look back at the Robinson Family of Wilmington.

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WILMINGTON - Dating back probably the last 60-70 years, Wilmington has had its share of families who have all thrived in athletics. Whether it's the Woods Family, the Gillis Family, the Burns Family or the Stewarts to name a few, when it comes to sports, it seems like those families have built up terrific reputations as being excellent athletically as well as top-class people.

On Sunday, October 25th, the Town Crier met with another family who certainly fits that criteria - the Robinsons. For nearly two hours on the Wilmington High School baseball bleachers, six of the seven siblings chatted about various topics. They each talked about their athletic days from the 1970s, 80's and 90's, about growing up in a three bedroom house with one bathroom, about their father and their brother, who unfortunately are no longer here with them.

Where are they now?

ROBINSON FAMILY

Throughout the time of the interview, each of the siblings found out some things about one another that they hadn't known, while they also had some fun as reporters asking each other questions. Above all, like always, the group had countless number of laughs.

Dick and Marilyn Robinson raised seven absolutely wonderful children, who have 13 children of their own - many of them have also excelled athletically - and two grandchildren.

The seven kids - Richard, Jean, Kevin, Kathy, Maureen, Laurie and Kristine - are 13 years apart. Richard lives in New York, Kathy lives in Andover, Laurie lives in Reading, while, Jean, Maureen and Kristine as well as Marilyn all still reside here in town. Dick passed away in 2004 and Kevin, who was living in Hawaii, passed away in 2017.

Between the seven kids, athletically speaking, what they accomplished throughout their young, high school and adult lives is nothing short of astonishing. Four of the seven played either ice hockey or field hockey at the collegiate level. Three of the seven ran in the Boston Marathon. One of them was a member of the state championship youth softball team back in 1980 and she was also a two-time Merrimack Valley Conference League MVP in Field Hockey. Another played in three Women's Beanpot Championship games. Another played at the old Boston Garden and throughout his career on the ice, skated against several players who went onto the National Hockey League. Another one, termed as 'the crazy one' spent a lot of time in the penalty box and will forever be known as the best uncle who ever lived.

Collectively, they were all part of a number of league and tournament championship teams, whether in ice hockey, field hockey or softball.

The seven of them are children of two amazing, yet extremely humble parents. Mom, who despite having seven children, didn't miss any sporting event. She was there carting every kid around to every game and practice. She was in the stands supporting her children in the ice cold rinks across the state and the country. She was there for the championship wins and the tough losses. She was there when the youngest, Kristine, scored the game winning goal in the 'Chicks With Sticks' fundraising event held several years ago.



In 1961 Marilyn and Dick Robinson were married and the couple spent 43 years together until Dick passed in 2004. (courtesy photo)

Everything her children have been involved with throughout their lives, Marilyn has been there with full support and a smile from ear-to-ear.

Dad, who was a Veteran as a member of the Army and Korean War, spent a decade coaching youth hockey and youth softball teams in Wilmington, while he also assisted on coaching the St. Anselm men's team during their summer seasons. If you ask those kids he coached in hockey, all you would hear is how he was one of the best coaches they ever had. He was thrown in as a father who could help with the paperwork and management of teams that his kids played on and although he really didn't learn how to skate, he just became so enthralled, passionate and dedicated to the teams and the kids he coached from 1974 to 1983.

"I remember them all playing (sports)," said Steve Scanlon, the current high school hockey and soccer coach, and former three-sport athlete at WHS. "We all hung around in the same neighborhood growing up. They lived up off of North Street. Back then you had kids in the street always playing street hockey no matter what. I remember the (Robinson) girls played right with the guys. Kevin was very much like Richie as a player. They were excellent skaters and I remember Maureen being the same. They also had their cousins next door, the McGraths so we had a whole neighborhood of people so we were always playing pond hockey or street hockey, or whatever else together.

"Their father was real instrumental in those early youth hockey days. Then down on Chestnut Street, he would go down there with the snowblowers and all of that stuff. That family was always doing whatever they could to help everybody play hockey. Their father did the 5:00 am pick-ups of everyone and he was just a real good guy."



In January of 2017, Kevin Robinson (3rd from left) passed away. This family photo was taken at the Thanksgiving Holiday that the family spent together. The group includes from left, Richie, Jean, Kevin, mother Marilyn, Kathy, Maureen, Laurie and Kristine. (courtesy photo).

THE GOOD GUY WHO MARRIED A GREAT GIRL

Dick Robinson grew up in Brighton and attended Columbkille Catholic School. After he graduated and proudly served his country, he worked for Verizon as a Marketing Manager. From Brighton, he moved to Medford and he eventually met Marilyn, who was from Burlington. The couple got married in 1961, ended up moving to Wilmington and were together for 43 years.

Dick played baseball in high school - and never laced up a pair of skates.

"I think my dad would have been a much better athlete, but his mother died when he was real young, so his father worked day and night," explained Kathy. "I think there were eight or nine years between my dad and his sister. They were basically on their own raising themselves with no guidance."

Marilyn didn't play sports growing up.

"We would always tell her that's where we all got our sports talents from," said Richie with a laugh. "We would get my father going saying that. Mom is a sports fanatic though."

Richie was the first of four of the children who played hockey with Kevin, Kathy, Maureen and Laurie following. He said he fondly remembers his father calling the shots from behind the rink benches.

"I remember in 1976 there was a parade in town and someone built an artificial rink on a bed. That was his second year of coaching so I believe he started in 1974," said Richie. "When kids were in the Mite and Squirt age group, they needed a coach, so my father knew someone who knew the game of hockey and my dad would do the organizational part of it.

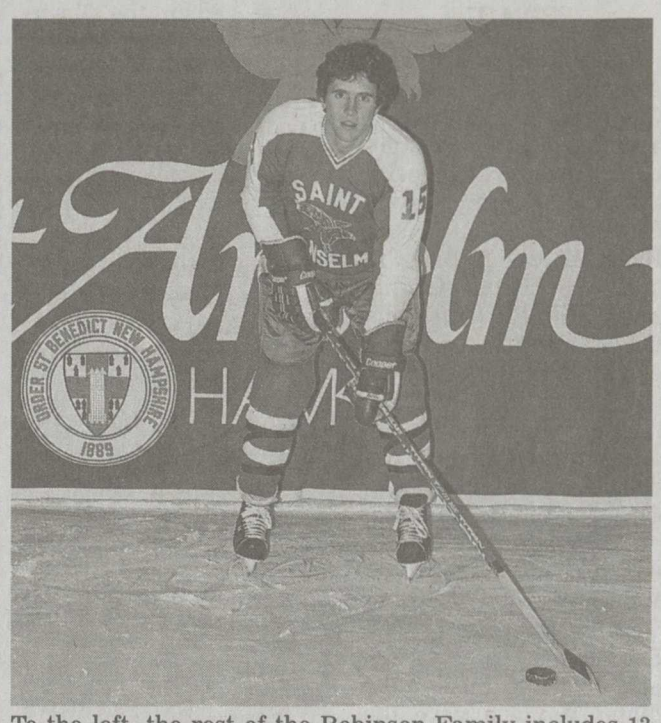
"Then later on, he would have myself and Kevin help organize and run some of the practices. Back then enough fathers knew enough about hockey that they could coach so he ended up taking care of the line-ups and stuff like that. That's how he got involved and then

ROBINSON'S B7W

Hockey, Field Hockey and more sports for the Robinsons

FROM B6W





To the left, the rest of the Robinson Family includes 13 grandchildren (and two great grandchildren, not pictured) who surround Marilyn. The 13 include: top row from left, Lauren Westerberg, Katherine Sargent, Brian Sargent, Ryan Goodwin, Evan Witalisz, Aly Goodwin, Janelle Robinson and Megan Robinson; bottom row from left, Jake Witalisz, Sean Witalisz, Ava Goodwin, (Marilyn or Mammy), Chelsey Westerberg and Jesslyn Sargent. Not pictured are the two great grandchildren, Jordan and Tori;
Above, Rich Robinson played four years of hockey for St. Anselm College. (courtesy photo/St. Anselm College).



Rich during the 1980 season, beating Billerica goalie Brad Castedia with a shot over the glove hand in a 6-1 win. (courtesy photo).

he was a coach for probably ten years. He knew enough about hockey to manage it, but the technical stuff like how to stop and how to shoot, we had to help him with that. He knew enough about the game, by watching us and picking up stuff on his own."

Yet he barely knew how to skate.

"He would put his skates on and stand at one spot usually, just whistle and tell everyone what to do," said Richie with a laugh.

Dick was involved at nearly every age level of WYH. He passed in 2004 and the family was taken back with the amount of former ice hockey players who came to his services to pay their respects.

"When everything comes full circle, you want to mimic the behavior taught to you by your parents, " said Laurie. "I looked back when I was in high school and I was somewhat embarrassed when my father was the hockey coach because he was very vocal, just really vocal so I would get embarrassed. Then when he died, I was so impressed that so many people my age, or just so many of his former hockey players who said that after all of the years, my dad was still one of the best hockey coaches that they ever had."

After Richie graduated from Austin Prep, he went on to play four years at St. Anselm College. Once again, his dad was part of that program.

"The assistant coach actually helped coach with my father in Danvers as we had some summer league teams that all of the college guys played for," he said. "The St. A's assistant coach and my father would coach together during those games. My father, who had never played hockey, was the one coaching the team because the assistant coach couldn't because of the NCAA rules."

Besides youth hockey, Dick also spent a lot of time coaching youth softball.

"I remember my dad coached me when I was younger," said Kristine. "I remember my mom had her Blue Bombers (from Wilmington Youth Softball) hat on and she kept the books. All five of us girls were on the Blue Bombers and he coached all of us."

Somehow Dick and Marilyn kept the household intact, despite all of the kids playing so many sports.

"We only had three bedrooms and one bathroom," said Jean. "We would have to go to the bathroom or take showers at my Aunt Lois (McGrath's) house."

Added Richie "My mom had some simple expectations besides being well behaved and getting good grades and that stuff. When I was in college and would come home, she would say no motorcycles, church on Sundays and don't stay out all night without telling me. My mom didn't treat any of us differently. She had the same expectations for all of us, even though we grew up in different times between the 70's and the 80's."

About five or six years after Laurie graduated from WHS, she came back to participate in the Alumni Games. Field Hockey was her sport and she will never forget something that was said to her that day.

"Somehow my mother never missed a game - I mean not just me but all of us," said Laurie. "She was at every single one of my high school games. You don't realize these things when you are younger, the support that you have from your parents, until you become a parent or you look back.

"I remember when we were playing in the alumni game and someone said, 'the only thing we are missing is Mrs. Robinson in the stands'. At that time, I couldn't believe that a former teammate said that. That's how much of an impact or presence that she had - and it wasn't just my field hockey playing days, it was being there for all of us. She didn't miss anything - not one thing."

NOOGIES AND LIFE LESSONS

Richie was 13 years old when Kristine was born, but as he got into high school, he was the one in charge when mom and dad weren't home.

"He would give us all noogies, all of the time," laughed Kathy.

Kristine said that Richie was more like a father-figure to her because of the age difference and the fact that their father started to get really sick when she was in middle school.

While Richie may have treated Kristine like a daughter-type figure, he treated the other sisters like tackling dummies.

"We were competitively close. I played ice hockey and I learned how to check by sending my sisters into the walls. I remember breaking the sheet rock in one of the bedrooms by doing that," he said while his sisters all shared in on the laugh. "I think the girls learned how to be tougher athletes because they were picked on by us boys."

The boys of course were Richie and his sidekick, Kevin.

"Kevin pushed buttons that you didn't even know that you even had," said Kathy with a laugh.

Richie was asked what it was like for him and Kevin to have five sisters - if they ever won any arguments since they were outnumbered.

"Growing up with five sisters, I learned when to shut up and Kevin didn't," he said chuckling. "He was very aggressive. But growing up with five sisters, you do learn life lessons that you can carry on with you for the rest of your life."

Richie is 56 years old now and Kristine is 43. Growing up as a young child in the 60s and 70s was certainly different and much different than it is today.

"I just feel like everything is different now than when we were growing up," said Kristine. "We always did everything with other families and now all of the kids have AAU or you are playing with kids on teams from other towns, and it's not just the Wilmington community. Back then a lot of the families were bigger. Sometimes I wish my kids could have grown up at the time that we did and my kids say that to me all of the time."

COUGAR COUNTRY

Richie grew up playing in the WYH program before he went off to play at Austin Prep. Back then AP was part of the Merrimack Valley Conference. At AP, he was teammates with Tony Visone, who went on to have a great career at Harvard University, played against Chelmsford's Phil Bourque, who went on to play in the NHL and several others who went pro.

During Richie's sophomore season, he was a second line winger on a team that advanced to the Division 1 state semi-final, losing 8-0, to the perennial powerhouse Matignon Club. Robinson along with guys like Visone, Steve Sheldon, Jim Knowlton and Tewksbury's Russ Ahern, helped lead the Cougars to an 11-win regular season, including two games against Wilmington, a dramatic 4-3 come from behind win and then a scoreless tie.

"At that time, we were part of the Merrimack Valley Conference so we played Wilmington, Chelmsford, Billerica and those were our biggest rivals, so I got to play against my friends," said Richie. "Sophomore year we made it to the Garden and lost to Matignon. Actually, three of the guys who were on Matignon, I ended up playing with at St. Anselm's. They buried us pretty good that game at the Garden. Junior and senior year we didn't make it that far. I remember my senior year, we lost to Chelmsford by one point for the league championship title."

Matignon scored five goals in less than nine minutes during that game held at the Garden, which obviously took away some of the awe of playing on the same ice as Bobby Orr did.

"It was great. It's interesting to play in a place that holds 20,000 people and we had like seven or eight thousand at our game. Playing there was quite the opportunity. Even back then before the digital world, the publicity from all of the papers was really good. It was just a great experience even though we lost."

A year before that, he was teammates with Scanlon.

"Richie and I were in the same grade and we played youth hockey together, all growing up," said Scanlon. "We went to Austin Prep together and then I came back (to WHS) after my freshman year and he stayed over there. He was a real good player. He was very quick, had a beautiful stride and he could really skate. He was a good hockey player who could put the puck in the net.

"Richie then went to St. Anselm and had a good career there. He was a smart kid and a good hockey player. He played in all three zones. I always remember him for his stride and quickness. He was a fast skater."

Richie played four years at St. Anselm and the team hovered right around the .500 mark each year. He finished his career with 36 goals and 31 assists, and had just seven minor penalties in four years.

"We were a .500 team there and at that time teams like Merrimack and U-Lowell and a couple of the bigger D1 schools now, were in D2 so we had some pretty good competition," he recalled. "Most of the time we were a .500 team and we played pretty good. I think we were more of an offensive team and we didn't have as strong of a defense, so we would either win or lose, 8-6."

Today Richie lives in New York with his wife Monique and their twin daughters, Janelle and Megan. Janelle played field hockey and was part of a state championship team in high school and went on to play four years at St. Michael's, where Megan played four years of soccer, also at St. Michael's in Vermont.

A DIAMOND IN THE ROUGH

Two years younger than Richie is Jean. She dismisses her athletic days, but truth be told she was pretty good in softball. She played subvarsity field hockey and basketball, but really made her mark on the diamond. Back then, there was no windmill pitching. Girls weren't throwing 50 to 60 miles per hour, there was no slap hitting and defense was a struggle - or at least it was for the Wildcats. You saw a lot of 15-10 games and not the 2-1 scores of today.

Before the 1982 season started, Wilmington had a new coach Jack Fahey. He inherited a team from Ed Harrison that had some strong athletes, including Hall of Famer Megan Donnelly, as well as Karen Evans and MaryBeth Gentile to name a few. His pitcher was Jean.

"The year before Janelle Fitch was the pitcher and I pitched a little but she did most of it," recalled Jean. "Windmill really started after us, but I remember facing a few teams like Burlington, who would have a pitcher throwing windmill, but she had to wear a mask."

That '82 season, Wilmington opened with a 10-7 win over Reading. The next game was a 16-11

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During the 1982 WHS Softball season, Jean Robinson was the team's starting pitcher. (courtesy photo).

Krunkle: The best uncle to 13 nieces and nephews

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attack with three hits. After some tough losses to Chelmsford, Tewksbury and Dracut, the 'Cats got back on track with thrilling wins over Billerica, 6-5, and Haverhill, 2-1. In that win over the Hillies, Gentile knocked in the game winning run in the top of the eighth inning. Jean went the distance, all eight innings, allowing two hits and her performance was described in the Town Crier as "outstanding."

A week later, she recorded another win as Wilmington trounced Greater Lawrence 16-0. She gave up two hits and also had two hits at the plate. The win gave the 'Cats a 6-6 record at the time (finished 6-8) and Jean ranked fourth in the entire conference in wins with six.

"I remember playing with Karen Evans, Megan Donnelly, Eileen Woods played center field and Donna Foley was the catcher," said Jean. "We just had so much fun."

Jean went to Assumption College where she met her husband Tom, who was a fantastic baseball player for the Greyhounds. He served as a captain his senior year, helped the team win two conference championship titles. In 1982, he was a Triple Crown winner, leading the team in average at .410, home runs with nine and RBI with 39.

The couple have two children, Lauren and Chelsey, who both played softball and graduated from WHS in 2008 and 2011.

"That meant a lot (having my daughters carry on the tradition of playing softball)," said Jean. "Lauren was a dancer and when she played softball, she could really hit the ball. Chelsey could also hit. It was really neat to see them both play when they were in youth softball and my husband coaching them."

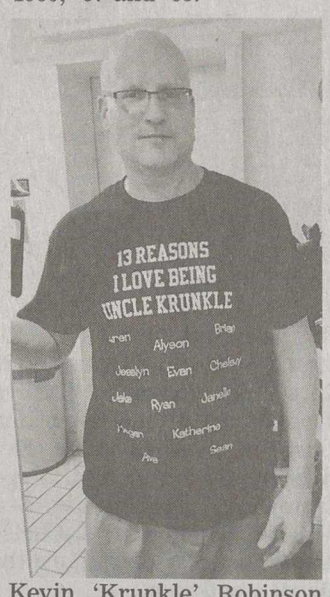
Jean and Tom are also proud grandparents to Lauren's two children, Jordan (18 months) and Tori (1 month).

YOU ARE JUST A CRAZY KRUNKLE

On October 15th, Jean had a really nice picture of her and Kevin on her Facebook page. It was his birthday and he would have been 53 years old. He passed away in January of 2017 in Hawaii, where he had lived for 18 years, which came after living in Germany for several years.

"Kevin was the jokester and he was always instigating," said Kathy. "He never had kids but he was obsessed with all 13 of his nieces and nephews. He treated them unbelievably. The kids called him 'Krunkle', for 'Crazy Uncle'."

Kevin was also an excellent hockey player. He too attended Austin Prep, graduating in 1984. He went on to play at Trinity College. When the Town Crier reached the Trinity College Sports Information Director David Kingsley for some information on Kevin, he passed along a message going through the archives from Coach John Dunham who said, "Kevin was the fastest kid on the team when we won the ECAC Championships in 1986, '87 and '88."



Kevin 'Krunkle' Robinson wearing his 'Krunkle T-shirt given to him by his 13 nieces and nephews. (courtesy photo).

Kevin finished his four-year collegiate career with 51 goals and 42 assists, falling just shy of 100 points. He was a left winger and was instrumental in the three ECAC Championship titles. Today he still ranks fifth all-time in program history with 171 penalty minutes.

"He would go one hundred miles per hour on the ice but he never had a stop button whether that was with his feet, his body or his stick," said Richie. "I tried to take the finesse game, but he took the tough game. If one of the finesse players on the Trinity team was attacked by the other team, Kevin's role was to take care of that guy when you really weren't supposed to do that."

Kristine remembers those days of seeing Kevin in the penalty box - sometimes more than he was on the ice.

"I was a little girl and would be in the backseat going home from of Kevin's games and my parents were mad saying, 'we didn't drive two hours to see you spend the whole game in the penalty box'. It's not surprising that he had that many," she said, while laughing.

During Kevin's senior year, Richard remembers watching his brother pour his heart out on the ice.

"They won the ECAC Championship three years while he was there and they were really one of the better teams in the area. I remember his senior year they won the league championship. It was a good crowd, it was a good game and they actually had three Wilmington kids on that Trinity team with Kevin, Frank Newark and Dan Ward."

While he was fast and aggressive on the ice, Kevin was really known as being the complete opposite when it came to his family and friends.

"Kevin had what you may say like a contradicting personality because he was the funniest guy and loud, but he was also super sensitive," said Kristine.

WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS

Growing up as the fourth of seven children, Kathy watched her older two brothers play hockey and her older sister play softball. She quickly joined those two sports.

"I was the only girl playing on the boys youth hockey team," she said. "I think it was the Mite and Squirt level. I remember Mike Newhouse was on the team and he was such a gentleman. Anytime I got knocked against the boards, he would always come over to make sure that I was OK. That's Mike and he's always been that way. Some of the boys did not appreciate a girl being on the team."

During that time, there were no girls leagues. It wasn't until Maureen got into middle school when she left WYH and went to play in an all girls' league in Stoneham. Kathy said she wishes that was the case when she was that age.

"I really never wanted to stop playing," she said. "I was getting older and they didn't have any kind of girls' league - the Stoneham League didn't happen then. I loved hockey and I never would have stopped playing. I was getting older and I didn't want to continue to compete with boys. The option of playing in a girls league was available to Maureen but not for me, so I stopped playing and I really missed it. Maureen ended up going to the Stoneham League and played for years there, and I definitely would have done that without a doubt. I stopped playing hockey and became a cheerleader for Pop Warner and then I switched to field hockey."

Before her cheerleading and field hockey days, Kathy was part of the 1980 Wilmington Youth Softball 12 and Under State Championship Team, which beat Jack Berry of Worcester, 10-2. In the team's first win over Woburn, she had several big hits in a 7-6 victory, while she came through with several other big moments throughout the entire tournament.

Kathy went on to play softball and basketball at WHS and had success but her true calling came in field hockey, a sport she didn't try until she the fall of her freshman year.

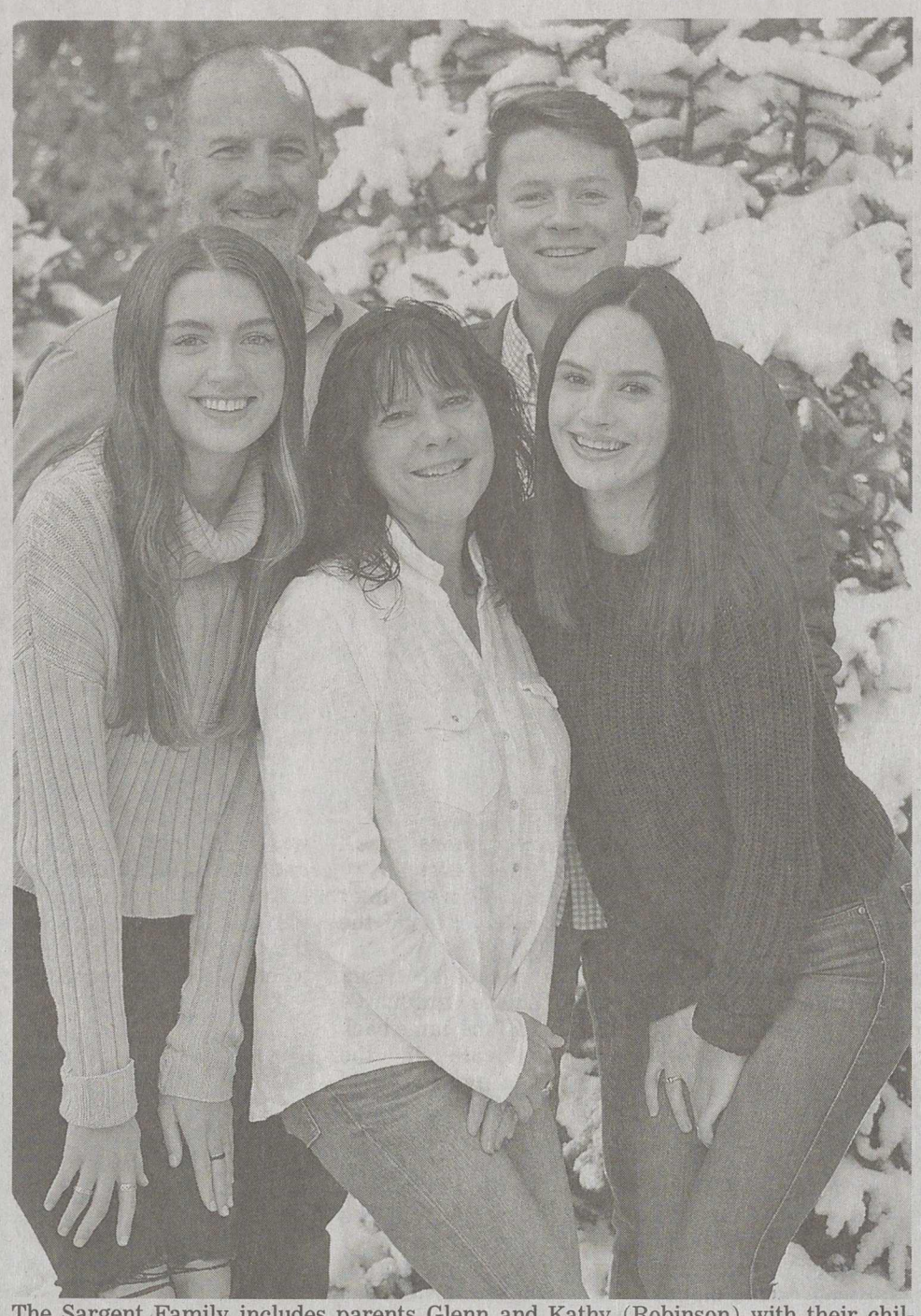
She was named the Merrimack Valley Conference League MVP during both her junior and senior years. She along with Lisa Cutone held the program record for most points in a season of 31, which was broken later that decade by Laurie's scoring mate Jen DelNinno, before Jillian Fitch shattered that record back in 2017.

"Kathy was just a great all-around kid. She has lots of skills, she was very fast. She was a winger so she would have plenty of room to move," said then head coach Jan Cassidy-Wood.

In 1983 as a junior, Kathy helped the Wildcats finish 12-2-2, which included a win over Reading 1-0 and then a 3-0 loss to Woburn in the state tournament.

The following year as a senior, the team finished 14-3-1 and advanced to the Division 2 North Sectional Final, losing to Rockport, 1-0. Along the way came exciting wins over Lynnfield and Marblehead, both 1-0 scores. That team broke many program records, including most goals in a season with 63.

"Those days were awesome and just so much fun," she said. "All of my best friends were on the team like Janet Crowley, Kristen Butt, Marcia Burns and Sharon Carbone. Those days were really fun. We were really good and I remember all of us being cocky, well maybe not cocky but real confident. Playing for Miss Cassidy was terrific, I loved playing for her."



The Sargent Family includes parents Glenn and Kathy (Robinson) with their children, from left, Katherine, Brian and Jesslyn. (courtesy photo).

After graduating from WHS in 1985, Kathy attended Bentley College (University today) and remained teammates with Crowley. She played two years of field hockey and helped the Falcons finish 14-2 and 16-3, making it to the Final-4 of the NCAA Division 3 National Tournament each year. In 1986, the Falcons finished fourth overall.

In '85, as a freshman, Kathy ranked fourth on the team in goals with six and fourth in points with eight. The next year she finished with three goals and two assists.

"I just played just the two years there. There were a lot of really good girls on our team and against the teams we played," she said. "Janet Crowley was with me but she ended up staying on the team all four years. Playing there was a lot of fun but it was also a lot of work, just like it is for any other college athlete. It just takes so much time with all of the training."

Kathy married Glen Sargent, also of Wilmington, who was also an outstanding athlete at WHS, excelling as one of the conference's best quarterbacks as well as star baseball pitchers. He is four years older than Kathy, so they never attended high school together.

"I didn't meet him until after college and we met at a party," she said with a big chuckle. "Before that, when I was in the third grade, I can remember Richie coming through the house with his friend Billy Hanlon and another boy, that I thought was the cutest thing that I have ever seen. After they left, I asked Richie, 'who was that boy'? And he said 'Glen Sargent'. I never forgot the name so as a kid, I would always go to the (high school) football games and I remember watching Glenn knowing how cute I thought he was.

"It was after college when we met at the party and at first I didn't recognize him. He said his name and I said to him, 'did you ever come to my house and hang out with my brother Richie'? And he said yeah and I said 'I remember you'."

That conversation at the party eventually led to a wedding and three children. It also led to Glen going through a health scare when he was diagnosed in 2016 with "MantleCell Lymphoma", which is "a type of non-Hodgkin's lymphoma." About 15,000 people in the United States presently have it.

"It's a rare form of lymphoma that doesn't have a cure," said Kathy. "He was very lucky because five years before he was diagnosed with it, there was only a two-year life expectancy. They won't treat anyone who is over sixty years old who has this, or anyone with poor health conditions. You have to go through these rigorous tests to prove that you are strong enough to go through it all. He did those tests and he looked paper thin. He was losing like a pound a day at that point. We went through this program which was rigorous chemo, a stem cell replacement and at that point he was in the hospital for two weeks. They basically took all of his stem cells out and cleaned them and put them all back in so it's like he has a whole new immune system.

"He started a chemo trial drug that he takes once a day for four years. He's been healthy as a horse ever since. The doctor had told him after he got through this, that he could guarantee Glen four healthy years. It wasn't a cure, but since this (trial) was so new, there was no determination if it would ever cure anybody. Now, Glenn goes every three to six months to get his tests, full body scans and the bloodwork and every time they come perfectly. His doctor told him the last visit that good news, if it comes back, we've got

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Kevin Robinson during his Wilmington Youth Hockey days. (courtesy photo).



During her junior and senior years at WHS, Kathy Robinson was named the Field Hockey MVP of the Merrimack Valley Conference. She went on to play two years at Bentley College (now University). (courtesy photo).

Sticking close to the Robinson Clan: Maureen, Laurie and Kristine

FROM B8W

new treatments that we can use, but he also said 'something tells me that it's not going to come back'."

He was diagnosed in December of 2016 and just a month after that, Kevin had passed which came six months after their Aunt Lois had passed.

"Glen couldn't even come to Kevin's services because of everything that he was going through," said Kathy. "It was a real tough six-month period." But she added that it was Glenn, who made it all a little bit easier to deal with during that terrible stretch, "It was hard but because of his personality (things were a bit easier). He was never down. Not once. When he first found out, it was like 'OK, what do we do now? Let's go, let's do it'. He was just so strong and positive about it all. He was so strong and the support and love we received from my family and our friends was incredible."

The couple's children include Jesslyn, Katherine and Brian, who are all graduates of Andover High School. The girls were mostly dancers and cheerleaders, while Brian played hockey. He went on to George Washington University and was a member of the National Championship Club team.

THE ONE WHO STARTED IT ALL

Over the years and decades, the Town of Wilmington has had many outstanding female ice hockey players. Kristen Thomas certainly ranks up there after her phenomenal career at UNH and while no one has repeated her accomplishments, certainly there's been a pretty good list of girls who have excelled either at WHS or other programs.

Way before Thomas came onto the scene, by far, there was no one better than Maureen Robinson.

A graduate of WHS in 1987, she like Kathy, started her playing days in WYH.

"Everybody was good and it was hard. Once you hit ten or eleven years old, the boys are bigger and stronger. The boys on the team all accepted me and they were my friends. For me I would feel weird because I knew I was the only girl on the team. The boys never made me feel weird," Maureen said.

Once she reached Pee Wee/Bantam level, Maureen made the switch and played in an all-female independent league based out of Stoneham. She traveled all across the country and played in a number of extremely competitive tournaments.

"When I played, there were probably only about ten to twelve good college programs in the country for women's hockey," she said. "There were maybe another ten that were OK. By my senior year, it got a lot better."

During her high school days, Maureen also was a terrific softball player and just a superior athlete. Cassidy was hoping that she would also be the same way with a field hockey stick.

"Maureen was an ice hockey player and we tried our hardest to get her to play for us," said Cassidy. "I remember at the time that she didn't want to wear a skirt, so we said 'well you can be the goalie so you don't have to wear a skirt.' She chose the ice hockey route."

Maureen received an athletic scholarship to play at Northeastern starting in the 1989-'90 season. In terms of stats, she gradually got better each year finishing with 12, 13, 20 and 25 points and totaled 33 goals and 37 assists for 70 points. That included breaking her wrist during her freshman season.

She said even thought there were some weaker teams in the league, for her playing at NU, it was difficult day-in and day-out playing at that level.

"You had everyone on scholarships, everyone wants to play and you really have to compete to keep your spot. You had to work really, really hard so that was different than playing (in the Stoneham League)."

In her freshman year, the team was 20-5, were crowned the Beanpot Champions with wins over BU (2-0) and Harvard (3-2). The next year the team was 20-7 and again Beanpot Champs. That followed with records of 20-5-2 and 14-7-3. In all four years, the Huskies were defeated by UNH in the playoffs, including losses of 9-5, 6-1, 5-4 and 6-5 (OT), all in the semifinals.

"Yes (we did lose to UNH all four years), ugh! We were the Buffalo Bills (of the 90's)," she said jokingly. "I thought (those UNH teams) were a little bit better than us. That was around the time that the first Women's Olympic Hockey team was being formulated. It was just super competitive and UNH had a few of the top players (from the country) and they were just a really good program."

Maureen met her husband Ed, who was a baseball pitcher, while at NU. The two have since traded in their hockey stick and baseball glove for running shoes.

"I stopped playing hockey after college. When you get older, everything hurts," she said with a laugh. "Lately I have taken up running with Ed."

The couple also have 13 children - well not quite.

"Maureen and Ed are a lot like Kevin. When you ask them how many kids they have, they'll say thirteen because they are so great as an aunt and uncle to all of the kids," said Laurie.

A NATURAL SCORER

Just like Kathy, Laurie didn't start playing field hockey until she reached high school and also made an immediate impact. Laurie was fast, had strong skills, she set up her teammates to score and she too could find the back of the net.

"Laurie was very similar to Kathy in her skillset, but she played an inside position, so that's a different dynamic of the whole team," said Cassidy. "She was equally as good. Jen DelNinno was her wing and at the end of the season, Jen was injured with a broken cheekbone or something. Laurie had to move over and take Jen's spot at the wing position. Laurie made that transition so seamless. She did a super job and she was an overall excellent player as well."

Laurie was brought up to the varsity team before the state tournament begun as a sophomore. Then she became a two-year starter and played a key role in the 1987 MVC League Championship team. She was named to the All-Conference team as a senior in '88. That year in the playoffs, the 'Cats defeated Ipswich in a three-overtime thriller before losing to Triton.

"It was Friday afternoon home game," recalled Cassidy. "We went to three overtimes to a stroke off. I remember the parents who had trucks and their cars, they went out to the parking lot and they brought the cars in and around behind the fence to put the headlights to shine light onto the field so the players could see the ball. It was just amazing and I had never seen anything like that before."

Scoring the goals in the penalty stroke period were Laurie and Hall of Famer Judy O'Connell.

"Field Hockey wasn't even in the cards when we were growing up," Laurie said. "It was always soccer and cheerleading, so we didn't have field hockey until we got to the ninth grade. The five of us girls all basically played the same sports growing up with soccer, basketball, softball and cheerleading. I remember (high school) field hockey and playing with Jen DelNinno, Leanne Bishop and Laurie Cormier. We had a real good team. Field Hockey was a great sport. We had wonderful times and Miss Cassidy was a great coach."

Laurie's competitive field hockey days ended when she graduated from WHS in 1989. She and her husband Jeff are proud parents of three children, Ryan, Aly and Ava. Ryan is at Reading High and plays three sports, golf, hockey and lacrosse. Ava is 14 and is on the Reading High freshman field hockey team. Aly attends the University of Tampa and she was also a three-sport athlete at RMHS with field hockey, gymnastics and lacrosse.

While Laurie and her husband have watched their children perform in many different sports over the years, she still remained active. In 2008, she completed her first Boston Marathon, following Richie and Kevin who did it in the early 1980's. Five years later, Laurie wanted to give it a go once again - a decision she will unfortunately always remember.

"I always loved running and I really didn't start doing it until after I had kids. Running the marathon was on my bucket list so I did it in 2008 and then in 2013, I said that I wanted to do another one."

That other one was no ordinary Boston Marathon. It was the year that the bombs went off near the finish line. Laurie was coming up on Haverford/Boylston when everything happened, all the while her siblings and youngest daughter were at the finish line waiting for her. They too were extremely fortunate to come out unharmed.

"I was running with a friend and he was really starting to lose his steam at like mile 19. I asked him if he would mind if I just went ahead. At this point, I was doing it casually, but I wanted to beat my time from 2008. I started to pick up my pace and I knew that I had eight family members and some friends at the finish line. Then I was at Haverford and Boylston and I called my husband and told him that I was picking up pace, so why don't you tell me where all of you are so I don't miss any of you. That's when the bombs went off."

Neither of them were quite sure what had happened in those few seconds while on the phone with one another.

"I asked him what was that, what happened? He said either it was a gas line or bombs. He said I'll call you right back. He tried to figure out what it was. He called me back saying it was a bomb. I told him to get the kids and to get out of town."

She got off the phone and was immediately stopped in her tracks.

"I'm on the phone and all of a sudden (the race officials) stopped us and nobody knows what's going on as runners. Then the (cell) towers went down so all I could do was text. I was just texting with my husband. One of my kids was with my siblings and my husband was with my other two kids at the Red Sox game and it was just a mess. Jean, Kathy, Kevin, my niece Chelsey and my youngest child Ava, who was in first grade, were all together but at that time I didn't know that. Jeff texted me saying he didn't know where Ava or any of my siblings were at the time.

"Jeff told me that one of the boys said that he wasn't going to leave without Mom, so I told Jeff to pick him up and just start running. Jeff was with a friend, Ava's godfather, and all of them just ran.

"My ride into the marathon was the running mate, so at that point I was separated from him. After the bombs went off, we weren't allowed to go the finish line so I started going back I found him. Once they started detonating bombs, we knew that our car was about a mile and a half away and we just ran as fast as we could to the parking garage."

While all of this was going on, Laurie didn't know who had Ava and where her siblings were exactly.

"We were going to get something to eat and go to the bathroom and Ava was with me," told Jean. "We went into the building and we looked out to the window and we waved to Kathy because they were right where the flags were right at the finish line. We waved to Kathy and we went back in and that's when the bombs went off. I went back to the window and all I see is smoke. I can't see anything else. We went towards where they were standing and at that time I had no idea if Kathy or my daughter were one of the injured people. I didn't know if they were alive, dead, or gone. I remember going down to the ground because I didn't know if they were dead or alive. I started crying and I told Kevin to find them and he said, 'I can't' because he couldn't get through past the police officers."

Described Kathy, "When the first bomb went off, we were standing maybe a couple hundred yards away, but at the time, you really couldn't see and know what was going on. You saw it afterwards watching videos. I remember exactly where we were standing because I had taken a lot of pictures.

"I was with Chelsey and at first I thought it was an explosion underground. I looked at Chelsey and we were like 'what was that'? Then the second one went off and that's when I said let's go towards the water. I took her and left. When we got to the Charles River, our phones finally worked and somehow we were able to get through to Tommy (Jean's husband). That's when we found out that everyone was fine."

Right when Laurie and her running mate arrived at their car, she got texts saying that Ava and the rest of her family were all OK.

Twelve months after that horrific day, Laurie - and just Laurie - returned for another 26.2 mile journey.

"In 2014, I definitely ran on adrenaline," said Laurie. "I didn't want anyone to come in and I didn't want to have to worry about if there was going to be another attack. I just remember I ran all on adrenaline. When I crossed the finish line, the first thing I did was facetime my kids. All I remember was my kids saying, 'I can't believe your time.' That was probably my proudest athletic thing of my entire life. Just seeing those kids on facetime and them saying 'you kicked butt, Mom'. That's what I remember. I don't remember stats from field hockey, our records, or my times from other road races and marathons, but I do remember that facetime session with my kids. I always will."



Back in 2013, Laurie (Robinson) Goodwin competed in the Boston Marathon and was close to the finish line when the bombs went off. The following year, her children, from back, Ryan, Ava and Aly, congratulate her in front of a sign her family made after she conquered the 2014 marathon. (courtesy photo).

THE LAST IN LINE

The youngest of the seven children, Kristine, didn't really play high school sports, but today it's a part of her own family. After graduating from WHS, Kristine went on to UMass-Amherst where she met her husband CJ Witalisz, who played three sports, football, hockey and lacrosse, while growing up in Westfield. They have three boys, Evan, who is a guard on the WHS Boys Basketball team, Jake and Sean.

"I always played sports growing up but I don't remember the reasons why I stopped playing," she said. "I think I played basketball my freshman year. I remember that I went to field hockey tryouts. At the time I was working at Stelio's so I told Miss Cassidy that I want to try out but I work Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays and she said 'well you just can't miss two days a week' so I didn't play."

Kristine played soccer, softball and basketball growing up, played for her Dad with the Blue Bombers, and also dabbled at bit at the subvarsity level with field hockey and basketball.

"I look back and it's almost a regret but at the time, I felt that it was more important for me to work and study instead of playing sports. It's a bit of a regret to a certain extent."

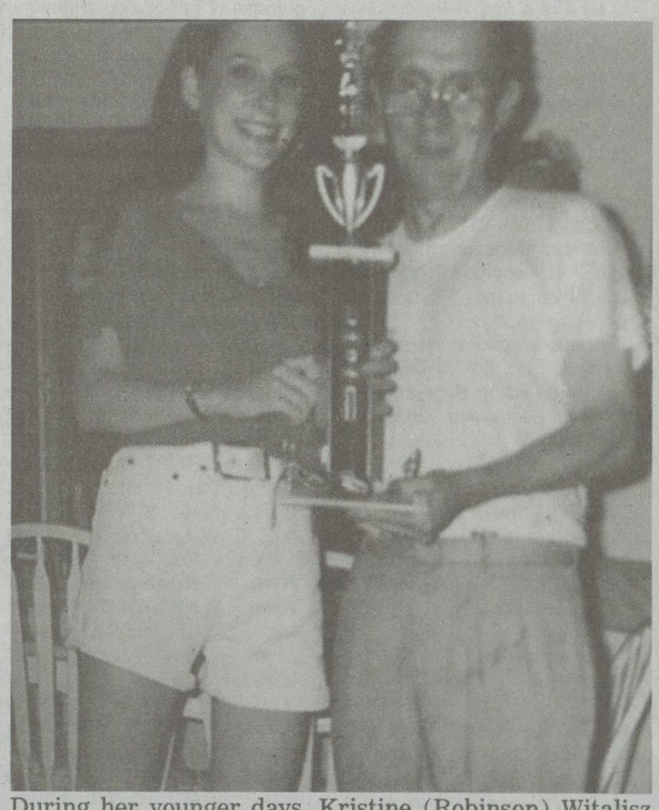
During the time she was in middle school to her four years of high school and into her college days, Kristine's father was sick.

"People have asked me all of the time if I was jealous or if I felt any pressure because of my siblings' success or that they all played sports," she said. "Honestly I never felt any of that. I honestly think that with my dad being sick at the time and I was so young that my perspectives changed. He got sick and I was in the seventh grade. For me, I just thought at the time that other things were more important."

Things were indeed more important, such as her wonderful family, the Robinsons.



Maureen Robinson scored 33 goals for Northeastern University during her four years on the women's hockey team. (courtesy photo).



During her younger days, Kristine (Robinson) Witalisz played many sports and enjoyed success, including posing with her father Dick with a championship softball trophy. (courtesy photo).

Lots of goals, lots of wins and lots of laughs

FROM BW5

contain these wild ones a little bit, but not much. The girls were just silly all of the time, especially in practice. Oh gosh, those girls were so much fun. When the whistle blew to start the games, they were very aggressive, especially Janelle and Maryanne on the forward line."

Janelle (Fitch) Vaal, who certainly could put the ball in the net, said looking back at the 40th anniversary of this special season, she remembers the incredible bond that she had with all of her teammates.

"I think what made our team so special was that we were friends on and off the field," she said. "The team had an abundance of personality and character and we had a special bond. Our positive attitudes, spirit, unselfishness and teamwork were the ingredients for our success. Every player was vital in their contribution with their own unique style and talent."

The Wildcats exploded out of the gate with an 9-0-1 record over their first ten games. In that time, Wilmington outscored opponents 34-4, which included a 5-1 win over Andover and a 3-0 win over a talented Methuen team, which was predicted to finish first in the league.

"Our offensive style was fearlessly aggressive and our defense was the best in the division led by our team captain (Zwicker), and it helped that our goalie (Gentile) was superb," said Vaal. "During the regular season our toughest opponent was Chelmsford. They would double team the front line, leaving the game scoreless and would end up in a tie."

That was the only blemish on the team's record during the regular season. When the 'Cats clinched the MVC East League title with the 10-0-1 mark, at that time, Vaal led the team with 10 goals and 6 assists, followed by Lisa Madden (8-3-11), Campbell, Donnelly and Burns with 8 points each.

Wilmington entered the state tournament with a 12-0-1 record. Up first was Lincoln-Sudbury and this was a gritty, battle which went to double overtime with the 'Cats prevailing in the stroke-off, to win 2-1.

"It was the most nail biting experience ever. We ended up in a heap of bodies after our hard-won victory," said Vaal, whose two brothers Paul and Gordie Fitch are in the Hall of Fame.

Wilmington then defeated Newburyport (2-0) and Danvers (1-0) which put them into the North Final against Weston, which was played in Littleton. The game was scoreless until the final three minutes when Weston's Cindy Healey scored two goals for the 2-0 victory.

"Although the state game against Weston was extremely chilly, I can not remember feeling the cold," said Vaal. "I do believe we outplayed Weston, they didn't have a shot on goal the whole first half. The second half was winding down, the first goal of the game came against us with three minutes left to play. I remember thinking and saying we are still in this. Then our fate was sealed with another goal against us with a minute left to play. The last lousy three minutes of the game halted a season of hard work."

That game ended the team's season with a remarkable record of 15-1-1, while being one of the top teams in the entire state.

The 1980 WHS team included: Lisa Madden, Sharon Zwicker, Janelle Fitch, Marianne Campbell, Jean Lanni, Pam McFarland, Karen Evans, Paula Rossi, Megan Donnelly, Paula Burns, Robin Parsons, Caramia Capadonna, Cathy Schultz, Anne Ryan and MaryBeth Gentile with coaches Jan Cassidy-Wood and her longtime assistant Jan Urquhart, both are also in the Hall of Fame.

"Coach Cassidy was no slouch," said Fitch. "Her knowledge of the game was impeccable and well respected. She would let us have fun but we knew when it was time to 'get down to business'. We always looked forward to halftime when she would pull out her bags of oranges that she supplied to us every game. I was extremely fortunate to have the pleasure of being a part of such an amazing group of ladies that I called my teammates."

The Wildcats continue to have tremendous success throughout the 80's decade and we will visit those seasons in future editions.

Wingate, Irish, fall to No. 1 UNC

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. -- The 13th-ranked Notre Dame women's soccer team battled the top-ranked team in the country Sunday afternoon but ultimately fell to No. 1 North Carolina 2-0 at Dorrance Field.

In the third minute, Wilmington resident Olivia Wingate took advantage of a North Carolina turnover just outside the box. She turned towards goal and fired a low shot on goal but Claudia Dickey was able to make the save for the Tar Heels.

North Carolina answered with two goals to come away with the win.

The Irish earned the eighth seed in the ACC Tournament and will face off with the No. 1 seed Florida State on Tuesday November 10th from Cary, N.C. It will be the first match of the quarterfinals with kickoff set for 12:30 p.m. ET and it will be broadcast on the ACC Network.

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www.homenewshere.com OR masspublicnotices.org/Search.aspx

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A Public Hearing to provide an open forum for the discussion of local property tax policy with reference to classification for FY 2021 taxation purposes will be held via a virtual Zoom platform. Interested parties may obtain contact information on how to access the public hearing and offer comment by viewing the meeting agenda which will be posted on the Town's website no later than 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 19, 2020. The link to the Board of Selectmen's agenda can be found at https://www.wilmingtonma.gov/node/40/agenda. Individuals may also contact the IT Department at 978-284-8205 to obtain guidance on accessing the public hearing. The public hearing is scheduled for Monday, November 23, 2020 @ 7:15 p.m.

Interested taxpayers may present their views on classification policy at the hearing or in writing to the Town Manager's Office until 4:30 p.m. on Monday, November 23.

Jonathan R. Eaton, Chairman
Board of Selectmen

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON BOARD OF APPEALS

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing will be held on Wednesday, November 18, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. on the following applications:

Case 20-20
Laura Osgood
15 Jacobs Street
Map 69, Parcel 102

To acquire a Variance for an addition

Case 21-20
Dottie & Jesse Plouffe
3 Factory Street
Map 27, Parcel 4B

To acquire a Special Permit for the Ground Water Protection District

Case 22-20
Debra & Keith Petrie
15 Dorothy Avenue
Map 90, Parcel 94

To acquire a Special Permit for the Ground Water Protection District

Case 23-20
Kevin Larkin
37 Marcus Road
Map 092, Parcel 014

To acquire a Special Permit for the Ground Water Protection District

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Board of Appeals will hold a virtual public hearing on **November 19, 2020** at **6:30 P.M.** on an application filed by **Redevelopment Associates, LLC** for a variance under Section 4130, Appendix B, for minimum frontage, of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw to demolish existing house and construct two new single family homes as shown on plans filed with this Board. The hearing will be conducted via WebEx and will be available for viewing on the following cable public access channels: Verizon Channel 33 and Comcast Channel 99. The public will be able to participate by calling 978-771-0819.

Said property is located at **391 North Street & 0 North Street,** Assessor's Maps 63 & 64, Lots 6 & 127, zoned Residential.

The application may be examined on the Zoning Board of Appeals webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org.

Robert Dugan, Chairman

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Board of Appeals will hold a virtual public hearing on **November 19, 2020** at **6:30 P.M.** on an application filed by **James Gennetti and Cynthia Burke Crowley** for a special permit under Section 3320, of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw to establish a home occupation as shown on plans filed with this Board. The hearing will be conducted via WebEx and will be available for viewing on the following cable public access channels: Verizon Channel 33 and Comcast Channel 99. The public will be able to participated by calling 978-771-0819.

Said property is located at **77 Chandler Street,** Assessor's Map 76, Lot 4, zoned Residential.

The application may be examined on the Zoning Board of Appeals webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org.

Robert Dugan, Chairman

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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

Middlesex Probate and Family Court
208 Cambridge Street
Cambridge, MA 02141
(617) 768-5800

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. MI20P4752EA

Estate of: Richard W. Stuart
Also known as:
Richard W. Stuart, Jr.
Date of Death: 05/31/2020

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Daniel J. Brown** of **Concord NH** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Daniel J. Brown** of **Concord NH** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **an unsupervised** administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 11/19/2020.**

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Maureen H. Monks, First Justice of this Court.
Date: October 22, 2020

Tara E. DeCristofaro,
Register of Probate

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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

Middlesex Probate and Family Court
208 Cambridge Street
Cambridge, MA 02141

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

Docket No. MI19P6208GD

In the matter of:
Julio Morales-Torres
Of: Tewksbury, MA
RESPONDENT
Alleged Incapacitated Person

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Blair House Tewksbury of Tewksbury, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that **Julio Morales-Torres** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **11/20/2020.** This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

WITNESS, Hon. Maureen H. Monks, First Justice of this Court.
Date: October 23, 2020

Tara E. DeCristofaro,
Register of Probate

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Board of Appeals will hold a virtual public hearing on **November 19, 2020** at **6:30 P.M.** on an application filed by **William J. Fabiano Jr. on behalf of William J. Fabiano Jr and Julia R. Fabiano** for a variance under Section 4130, Appendix B, for front yard setbacks, of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw to construct a 16' x 24' addition as shown on plans filed with this Board. The hearing will be conducted via WebEx and will be available for viewing on the following cable public access channels: Verizon Channel 33 and Comcast Channel 99. The public will be able to participate by calling 978-771-0819.

Said property is located at **15 Champion Street,** Assessor's Map 56, Lot 10, zoned Residential.

The application may be examined on the Zoning Board of Appeals webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org.

Robert Dugan, Chairman

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Board of Appeals will hold a virtual public hearing on **November 19, 2020** at **6:30 P.M.** on an application filed by **Robert J. Neary** for a variance under Section 4130, Appendix B, for lot coverage, and a special permit under Section 3670, of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw to construct a single family home as shown on plans filed with this Board. The hearing will be conducted via WebEx and will be available for viewing on the following cable public access channels: Verizon Channel 33 and Comcast Channel 99. The public will be able to participate by calling 978-771-0819.

Said property is located at **117 Lakeview Avenue,** Assessor's Map 93, Lot 65, zoned Residential.

The application may be examined on the Zoning Board of Appeals webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org.

Robert Dugan, Chairman

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Dana G. Hughes to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Mortgage Master, Inc., dated April 10, 2007 and recorded in the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 21128, Page 219 of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, by assignment from:

Mortgage Electronic Registration systems, Inc. to CitiMortgage, Inc., recorded on September 15, 2009, in Book No. 23374, at Page 294

Mortgage Electronic Registration systems, Inc., as nominee for Mortgage Master, Inc. to CitiMortgage, Inc., recorded on October 12, 2010, in Book No. 24360, at Page 143

CitiMortgage, Inc. to Federal National Mortgage Association, recorded on February 29, 2016, in Book No. 29841, at Page 89

Federal National Mortgage Association to Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, d/b/a Christiana Trust, not individually but as Trustee for Pretium Mortgage Acquisition Trust, recorded on April 26, 2018, in Book No. 32025, at Page 138

for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 11:00 AM on December 2, 2020, on the mortgaged premises located at 17 Palmer Way, Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

TO WIT:
A certain parcel of land on the easterly side of Palmer Way, Wilmington, Middlesex County, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, shown as Lot 4 on a plan of land entitled "Definitive Subdivision Plan, Middlesex Pines, Wilmington Mass., Middlesex Fines Realty Trust - Owner, Date: June 7, 1983, Scale: 1"=40', K.J. Miller Co., Inc., Civil Engineers & Land Surveyors filed with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, plan Book 142, Plan 60. Said Parcel is more particularly bounded and described as follows:
NORTHERLY: by Lot 5 as shown on said plan, one hundred eighty and no/100 (180.00) feet;
EASTERLY: by Lot 2 as shown on said plan, one hundred twenty-five and no/100 (125.00) feet;
SOUTHERLY: by Lot 3 as shown on said plan, one hundred eighty and no/100 (180.00) feet;
WESTERLY: by the easterly side of Palmer Way, one hundred twenty five and no/100 (125.00) feet.
Containing 22,500 square feet of land according to said plan.
Subject to an easement for electric service as shown on said plan.
Together with the right in common with others thereto entitled to use Palmer Way as shown on said plan for all purposes for which streets and ways are commonly used in the Town of Wilmington.
For title see deed recorded herewith.

For mortgagor's(s') title see deed recorded with Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 21128, Page 219.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of Ten Thousand ($10,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California St., Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, D/B/A CHRISTIANA TRUST, NOT INDIVIDUALLY BUT AS TRUSTEE FOR PRETIUM MORTGAGE ACQUISITION TRUST
Present holder of said mortgage

By its Attorneys,
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Newton, MA 02458
(617)558-0500
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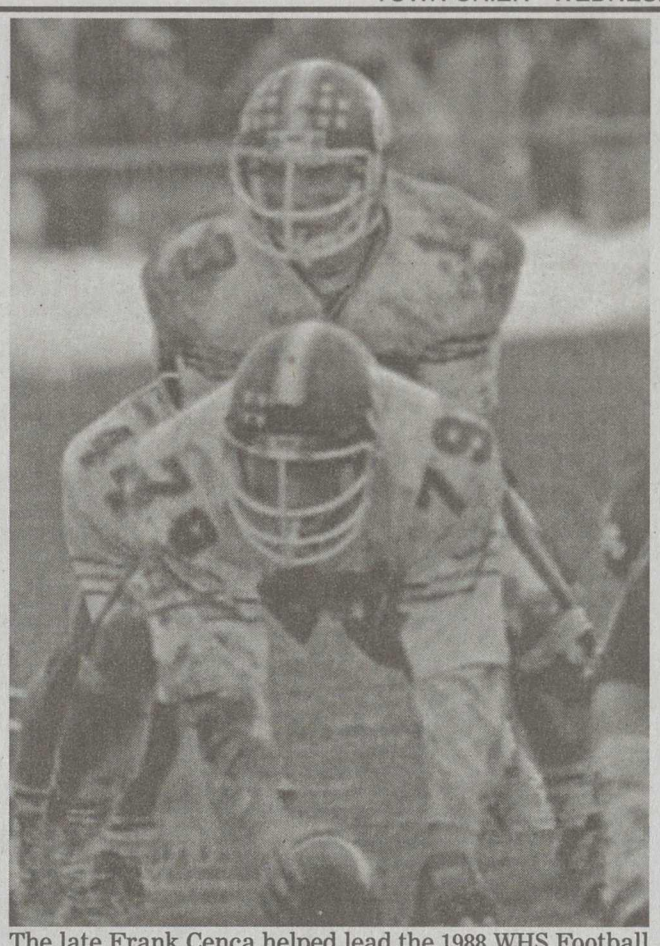
Looking back at WHS Football from 1988

Hersom's late FG lifted 'Cats to a thrilling win over Lowell

Since there's no high school football season this fall, the Town Crier has been publishing archived game stories of old WHS Football games, matching up the current week's game. Below is the week eight game from the Town Crier November 1st, 1988 edition, a 15-13 come from behind win over Lowell, which included Dick Hersom nailing a game winning field goal with 61 seconds left in the game.

With just 17 dressed players for most of the season, all weighing 220 pounds or less, the 1988 WHS Football team finished 5-5 on the season, which included a dramatic win over Lowell. In the history of the program, Wilmington and Lowell faced one another 15 times with Lowell winning 13 of those games, including outscoring the 'Cats 314-79 – the two wins included in 1980 and below, the 1988 contest.

Take away league championship seasons, and this win still is regarded as one of, if not the biggest win in program history because of the dramatics and because of all of the obstacles Wilmington endured.



The late Frank Cenca helped lead the 1988 WHS Football team past Lowell in a memorable victory. (file photo).

By TOWN CRIER STAFF

The Wilmington High School football squad scored its' biggest victory in several seasons Saturday night when senior Dick Hersom booted a 33-yard field goal with 1:01 left in the game to give his team a thrilling 15-13 victory over Lowell High School Red Raiders at chilly Cawley Stadium.

It was the first time Wilmington defeated a Lowell High School team since 1980 and it was the fourth victory of the season for coach Ed Harrison's team against four losses.

Hersom, who wasn't even on the roster at the start of the season, was just one of many heroes for Wilmington against Lowell. Senior quarterback Frank Cenca, shifted back to his original position after spending much of the season at fullback, completed 13-of-22 passes for 161 yards.

One of those completions was a 30-yard touchdown toss to quarterback turned receiver Dennis Walsh. Cenca's other main target was Bob Voner, who made eight catches for 96 yards.

"We moved Cenca back to quarterback and then moved Walsh to wide receiver so we had him and Voner, and that Lowell game really got the two of them going," said Harrison. "That's what we tried to do offensively, get them the ball, open those guys up and some alleyways because we struggled to run the ball."

Lowell had taken a 13-12 lead with 2:57 left in the game before Cenca rallied the Wildcats with four consecutive completions that advanced the ball to the Lowell 16 yard line.

It was at that point that Harrison elected to go for the field goal, and Hersom was perfect in sending slumping Lowell to its' fifth defeat of the season.

Senior co-captain Steve Killilea got the Wildcats on the board in the first half with a six-yard touchdown burst up the middle.

The shift of Cenca to quarterback has lifted the offense to the level of the defense, which has played solidly now for the better part of two seasons. It's no surprise that Cenca was also a leader of that defense from his linebacker position.

"The Lowell game where we won on the (field goal) was the memory that comes to mind where we truly believed in ourselves," said Voner.

Rams Cross-Country teams enjoy sweep over Innovation Academy

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

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In their previous meet against Innovation Academy, the Shawsheen Tech Boys and Girls Cross Country teams had been blessed with near ideal running weather and both teams had rolled to victories behind a mountain of personal best times on both sides.

The Rams had no such luck in terms of weather on Monday afternoon when both teams traveled to Westford to take on CAC rival Nashoba Tech on a raw, cold and windy afternoon. But the conditions couldn't hold back the Rams in this one, as both teams earned impressive victories, with the boys pulling out a 27-28 thriller, while the girls once again rolled to victory, powering their way to an 18-44 victory.

On the boys side, the Rams got some clutch performances to pull out their one point. Missing two of their top five runners, with Paul Tower and Damien Hadden of Tewksbury both unavailable, the Rams needed to rely on their depth to pull this one out and that depth came through to lead them to their most exciting win of the season.

"Both teams battled hard, and it was an excellent race," Shawsheen coach Pat Kelly said. "What made it tough is that we ran without our true number two (Tower), and our true number five (Hadden), so when you are missing two people from your top five it really makes for a difficult race, but the kids held strong and won a lot of individual battles."

Rams senior captain Alex Smith once again led the way for Shawsheen, battling the elements to take first place overall in a time of 18:41. With Tower, who has been consistently finishing right behind Smith this season, unavailable, Shawsheen junior Joe D'Ampolo stepped up and turned in a tremendous effort, taking second place in a time of 19:41.

D'Ampolo edged out a hard charging Nashoba challenger to secure the second place finish, sprinting down the home stretch to earn what turned out to be some very critical points for the Rams, beating his opponent by one second.

"At first I thought the kids was going to go by him, but I guess Joe slow played him a little bit," Kelly said. "He had in his mind what he wanted to do and he executed it, so we were happy to see that."

Nashoba took the next three spots after D'Ampolo but Shawsheen junior Andrew Stokes pulled out a clutch sixth place finish in 22:53 to stem the tide for the Rams. Nashoba would take seventh place, but the Rams then got some critical points at the back end of the top ten, when Gordon Noble took eighth overall in a time of 22:24.

Nashoba took ninth place, but Shawsheen junior Adam Ippolito earned the all important fifth Rams spot, finishing tenth overall time of 22:36, while Rams freshman Will Brinson grabbled the equally important sixth spot for the Rams, finishing eleventh overall in a time of 22:50, preventing a pair of Nashoba runners nipping at his heels from being able to score.

"That was big to have our number six come in and force some displacement for the Nashoba kids, so that was another huge point right there," Kelly said.

The girls side featured much less drama, but showed once again just how deep and talented this girls team is. Despite a couple of Rams runners losing their way on the course, Shawsheen still rolled to their 18-44 victory.

The Rams were led by another great effort from junior Devin Sweeney who took first overall in a time of 23:04, while Sandra Watne of Wilmington took second in a time of 26:42.

"The girls had a great race," Kelly said. "Devin ran really well. She is almost into the 22's, and Sandra had a great race as well. Sandra really pushed for it today. She ran a great race. She was strong out there. She was hurt while she was out there, but she stayed strong and pushed through it right to the very end, and won her personal battle."

Nashoba Tech took third place overall, but after that it was all Rams, with junior Kaylee Gaffney of Tewksbury taking fourth overall in 26:54, followed by junior Hannah Lyle in 26:59, senior Emily Pinto of Wilmington in 27:19 and Jade Kim in 27:57. Kelley DeLosh wrapped up the Rams top ten finishers with a ninth place finish in 29:22.

With the two victories, the boys improved to 3-1 on the season, while the girls pushed their record to 4-1, but their two most difficult meets of the season still lie ahead of starting with a road meet at Greater Lowell on Thursday, followed by a matchup with Essex in their season finale on Saturday, November 14 at home.

Herb Chambers

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2018 Audi Q3
Auto, Florett Silver, 32K miles, Convenience Sport
Stock# A6762
$28,398

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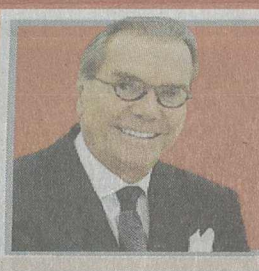
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